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Seventy-Fifth Annual Session

OF THE

**CHEROKEE INDIAN
MISSIONARY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

HELD WITH THE

CHEROKEE BAPTIST CHURCH

Swain County, North Carolina

October 4, 5, 6, 7, 1956

**CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZED 1881**

**MR. BUCK WEST, MODERATOR, MRS ELIZABETH
CROWE, CLERK**

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**Next Session Will Be Held With The Macedonia Baptist Church
October 3, 4, 5, 6, 1957**

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Mr. Buck West, Moderator	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Asst. Moderator	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe, Clerk	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Treasurer	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George, Interpreter	Whittier, N. C.

Historians

Bro. Jarrett Blythe	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead	Whittier, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Ewell Payne	Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George	Cherokee, N. C.

COMMITTEES

Time and Place: Naomi Sneed, Jim Bradley and Margaret Davis	
Denomination — William Payne	Bryson City, N. C.
Temperance — Ella West	Cherokee, N. C.
Sunday School — Rachel Hornbuckle	Cherokee, N. C.
Ordained Ministers — Rev. James Parris	Cherokee, N. C.
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Obituary — Myrtle Johnson	Cherokee, N. C.

MESSENGERS

- BIG COVE**—Buck West, Susie West, Manda Walkingstick and Katie Davis.
- BIG WITCH**—Rev. Sammie Walkingstick, Elizabeth Crowe, and Katie Welch.
- BOILING SPRINGS**—Carolina Conseen and Maggie Wahyahneetah.
- Cherokee**—Rev. Leslie R. Baumgartner, Johnson Owle, Naomi Sneed, Betty Crowe, Beulah Tahquette, Mike Walkingstick, Emily Walkingstick, Oliver Smith, Nan Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Reynolds.
- ECHOTA**—Jacob George, Jackson George, Nancy Bushyhead and Ben Bushyhead.
- LITTLE SNOWBIRD**—Noah Teesateskie, George Teesateskie, Winnie Teesateskie and Sarah Teesateskie.
- MACEDONIA**—Rev. Nick Bradley, Mary Blythe, George Burgess, Minda Reed, Joe Bradley and Emiline Cucumber.
- PINEY GROVE**—No Report.
- ROCK HILL**—Esiah George and Peter Thompson.
- ROCK SPRINGS**—James Bradley, Robert Bigmeat, John Maney, Anessa Maney and Charlotte Bigmeat.
- SEQUOYAH**—Maroney French, James Smith, Emily Walkingstick, Viola French and John Walkingstick.
- STRAIGHTFORK**—Mandy Swimmer, Charlotte Lossie, Emerson Sequoyah, Mollie Sequoyah, Lizzie Tooni, Luke Swimmer, Olivan Tooni and Mike Tooni.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a. m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p. m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business sessions of the meeting are over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute this Association shall be members of the body.

ARTICLE IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary, incidental expenses, and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.

ARTICLE V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionaries.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions; give his opinion concerning the subject discuss on after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend her the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association. If possible before adjournment.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.
5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained Ministers, Denominational, Arrangement, Time and Place, Ob.tuary and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear report of committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for treasurers report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

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Cherokee Baptist Mission
Cherokee, N. C.
October 4, 1956

The meeting began with singing. The pastor of the Mission Church, the Rev. L. R. Baumgartner, spoke briefly, extending a hearty welcome to the Association and giving a brief history of the Church. He then turned the services over to Bro. Johnson Owl who led the devotion using as his scripture reading II Cor. 4:13-18. Prayer led by Bro. Johnson Owl.

Letters from 14 of the churches in our Association were read. It was moved and seconded that the letters be adopted and the messengers seated. Voted unanimously. The tentative program was submitted to the Association and it was unanimously voted that this program be accepted for use during this session.

The election of officers was next in order with the following being elected:

Moderator	Bro. Buck West
Asst. Moderator	Rev. Ben Bushyhead
Clerk	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Treasurer	Mrs. Mary Blythe
Historian	Bro. Jarrett B. Blythe
	Rev. Ben Bushyhead

It being time for the 11 o'clock services the meeting was turned over to Rev. L. R. Baumgartner, who brought the message, using for his scripture reading Matt. 19:13-20, bringing a message that was strengthening to Christians. Prayer led by Rev. Baumgartner.

Adjourned for lunch until 1 p. m.

The afternoon session met according to adjournment with a song service led by Rev. James Parris, "Send the Light", "May God Depend on You" and "I Will Arise and Go To Jesus" was sung in Indian.

In the absence of Bro. Iseral Davis, who had the devotion, Bro. James Parris, took the devotion using for his scripture reading Isaiah 53:1-12, reminding us that Isaiah was putting a picture before us of the suffering of our Saviour. Isaiah shows our way of escape. Does this picture not mean anything to us? Prayer led by Bro. Esiah George.

The following W. M. U. report was given by Mrs. Ewell Pavne, stating the four aims of the women of the W. M. U. was: 1st, to enrich our people in their prayer life, 2nd, Bible Study, 3rd, Mission Study, 4th, Stewardship. It is an easy thing to give our money and not give ourselves.

The night of October 3, 1955, a group from a number of the churches of our Association met in the Mission Church and organized an Associational Womans Missionary Union. W.M.S. organizations from five churches were represented in the beginning of this work. We now have a total of eight organizations for women and four for young people with a total membership of 118.

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The following churches have organizations: Cherokee Mission Church, Yellow Hill, Sequoyah, Macedonia, Wrights Creek, Rock Springs, Big Cove and Rock Hill.

The Bible is the text book for our work, and using it as our guide, we have conducted mission studies during this year, giving our women opportunities to know more, pray more and do more about the Baptist work of the world. Our women have been led to be better stewards, and a greater concern for the young people of our Reservation and the sin that abounds is a growing concern for the members of W. M. U.

Good literature is being placed in our homes, and our records show that we now have, 34 subscriptions to our missionary magazine, Royal Service, 10 Biblical Recorders, 16 to Tell, for our girls, 2 Ambassador Lives for boys, 3 to Window of Y. W. A. for our young women, and 3 Sunbeams.

We are urging the cooperation of our pastors and church leaders. If you will give to us your cooperation we will give back to you better women and children prepared for the duties of our churches, and more devoted to the cause of Christ.

Mrs. Ewell Payne,
W. M. U. Associational Supt.

It was voted unanimously to adopt the W. M. U. report.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Time and Place—Sister Margaret Davis, Sister Naomi Sneed, Bro. Jim Bradley.

Denominational—Rev. Billy Payne

Temperance—Sister Ella West

Sunday School—Sister Rachel Hornbuckle

Ordained Ministers—Rev. James Parris

Finance—Sister Viola French

Obituary—Sister Myrtle Johnson

Training Union—Mrs. Ewell Payne

It was voted unanimously by the body to retain our present Associational Missionaries; Rev. Ewell Payne and Rev. Esiah George.

It was voted unanimously by the body to give Bro. Lawson Allen, from Gardner-Webb College some time to speak to the Association. Bro. Allen stated he was glad to be with us in our Association and was bringing greetings from the Department of Christian Education and the Southern Baptist Convention. Stating he had enjoyed the fellowship and especially the prayer led in Indian as it took him back to when he knelt beside Rev. Cornsilk in prayer.

Rev. R. B. Jones, was scheduled to bring a message on Missionaries, reading Romans 12:1 and Acts 2:1-4 for his scripture reading. Emphasizing "I beseech you that you present your body as your reasonable service" telling us how Jesus' body was prepared for special service and how he yielded His body for service. As Christians we must yield our whole body to His service; our tongues to tell the message of salvation, our feet that we might go

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to the uttermost parts, our hands that we might earn something to help support our missionaries, as they go to tell the gospel story of Jesus, our eyes that we might see the need. We must keep our bodies clean and not let it be blemished by sin, so God can use it to do the work he left for us to do. Rev. Esiah George, preached the evening message.

While a song was being sung a fellowship hand shake was given. Meeting adjourned until 10 a.m. Friday, benediction by Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

Cherokee Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
October 5, 1956

The Association met according to adjournment, with song service led by Rev. Parris. Devotion led by Bro. James Bradley, who called on Rev. Esiah George to lead in prayer. Bro. Bradley used for his scripture reading Matt. 28:19-20 and Mark 16:15-16 and 20.

Roll call was next in order. The song and testimony services were led by Rev. James Parris. Rev. Payne asked for one verse of "O Happy Day" to be sung as his testimony. The 11 o'clock services were turned over to Rev. Payne, who read Ezekiel 33:1-6 as a foundation for his sermon. He closes his sermon with prayer. Rev. Esiah George is given the remaining time before the noon hour to interpret the sermon into the Indian language. The congregation sings "Only Trust Him" before being dismissed for lunch by the Moderator, Bro. Buck West.

Adjourn until 1 p.m.

The afternoon session met according to adjournment singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul" and "When I Read My Title Clear" and "I Will Arise and Go To Jesus" in the Indian language led by Rev. James Parris. In the absence of Rev. Dewese Bradley, Sister Margaret Davis is asked to take the Devotional, using for her scripture reading II Peter 3:17-18. Prayer led by Rev. James Parris.

The following report was given on the Cooperative Program by Sister Ella West. Reading Psalm 24:1-5, reminding us "if the earth is the Lords and the fullness thereof, what can we say is ours. We are only Stewards of God, entrusted with the management of that which belongs to God. The Southern Baptists have the cooperative program through which we can all work together to reach the uttermost parts of the earth. Jesus said "In as much as ye do it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye do it unto me". Our giving may be small but when we put it all together it can be sent out to accomplish its mission. We need to dedicate our whole body to Christ that we might see and hear the need and be willing to give to His cause.

Rev. Esiah George gave an oral report of his work for the past year as Associational Missionary.

Rev. Ewell Payne, Associational Missionary gave the following report for the past Associational year:

During this Associational year I have had the privilege of

visiting in most of the churches of our association. I have not been able to be in all of them on Sunday, but I have visited in every community sometime during the year.

It has been a joy to supply for some of the pastors, and to visit on other occasions. Most of my time has been spent with churches who have not had pastors all or part of this year. At my request to the Home Mission Board we were given two student workers for ten weeks during the Summer. Bible Schools were conducted in eight of our churches by these students. Twelve churches were reached, however in this, as some of the smaller churches consolidated for their schools. Two other churches conducted their own schools, making a total of 14 of our 15 churches reached this year with Bible Schools. Thirteen people were saved and many rededicated. I had the privilege to solicit and receive funds for Big Cove Church to be covered and ceiled and plans are under way to begin work immediately on additional work at Big Cove, Wrights Creek, Zion Hill and Little Snowbird.

I have traveled hundreds of miles during this year as I have preached in churches and visited in homes. No offerings have been given me, but I have been richly re-paid in the satisfaction of knowing that I have put forth efforts for my Lord.

During our Reservation-wide revival in June I rejoiced to see souls saved and many rededicate their lives. but with sin mounting and temptations pressing the spiritual life from many of our people I call on Christians, one and all, to rise up for our Lord, and let us make the coming year one of victory for our Master.

My personal gratitude goes to every pastor, leader and others who have cooperated in any way during this year.

It was voted unanimously by the body to adopt the reports as given by the Associational Missionaries.

The congregation sings "Wherever He Leads I'll Go." A representative from the Baptist Hospital and Home for the Aged are invited to speak before the Association. They are Dr. McGee and Jimmy Hayes, telling us of the work they are doing.

It being time for the Message the services were turned over to Rev. Billy Payne, who used for his subject "Missions and our place in it." He read Matthew 28:16-28 followed by prayer before the sermon. He closed his sermon with prayer. Congregation sings in Indian. Adjourned until 10 a.m. Saturday. Benediction by Sister Rachel Hornbuckle.

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Cherokee, N. C.
October 6, 1956

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The Association met according to adjournment and the services is opened by singing "The Ninety and Nine", "There is a Fountain" in English and "Amazing Grace" in Indian. Singing led by Rev. James Parris.

Bro. William Owl has the morning devotion, reading Matthew 8:5-13. Prayer led by Bro. "Bo" Parris. Roll call with 32 messengers answering roll call.

The services at this time is turned over to Rev. Nick Bradley, his scripture is taken from Mark 12:1-2; Matthew 25:14-15; Luke 19:13; I Cor. 4:2; Romans 1:16; and Acts 2:37, using for his subject "Stewardship". A song "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" is sung.

Miss Dorothy Edwards introduces the speaker of the hour as Rev. John Zanon, a converted Catholic Priest of Keysport, Pa. A native of Italy. He gives us a very inspiring testimony and leaves an opening for anyone to ask questions. Having gone a little overtime we are set at liberty for lunch until 1 p.m.

The afternoon session opened with singing "When I see the Blood". Devotional led by Sister Mandy Walkingstick, she speaks on Missions and sings before reading Rev. 2:1-5. Prayer led by Rev. James Parris. The following reports were given.

In the absence of Sister Mary Blythe, who is in the hospital, Bro. Jarrett gives the treasurer's report.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

This is the report as accurate as could be obtained from statistical figures shown on the Associational letters. However according to our report of last year on Sunday School, we have made an improvement in our Sunday Schools, a gain of one or two hundred over last year's report, the trend should be up. The committee has found where truly born again men and women teach the New Birth in a consecrated spirit of Christ more advancement has been made, more souls have been won.

The committee also finds that we have some who need to consecrate their lives to God again and to the service of teaching the word. We find when our pastors preach the word, our teachers teach the word, and our people live the word, with God thru Jesus Christ in our lives we expect a greater over all gain next year. We the committee believe that we should go in to the next Associational year with a prayerful determination to do more for God in the power of his Spirit than ever before, the burdens are heavier, the tasks harder, the workers fewer, storm clouds thicker but thru Jesus Christ and his spirit we shall triumph victoriously.

Pray, preach, teach and live for God more in 56 and 57.

Prayerfully Submitted,
Sister Rachel Hornbuckle

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DENOMINATIONAL

We have taken several steps forward in the churches during the past associational year. More churches this year have reported an increase in the number of conversions than there was last year. Every church that is represented in this Associational meeting this year reports at least one revival meeting and some report two. As was reported last year in this report, several churches are still building or planning such a program.

Fourteen of our churches had Vacation Bible School with several conversions and rededications. The student workers this year were Rev. and Mrs. Ronnel Owensby who are now in the Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina. During his stay here he also served as pastor of the Rock Springs Church and directed them in organizing a Training Union. During this year Rev. James Bo Parris has come to be with us in serving as pastor of the Yellow Hill Church, and the moderator of the Fifth Sunday meetings.

The W. M. U. organized into a Reservation wide organization this last year with Mrs. Ewell Payne associational president.

During this year several of our church members have passed from this life to receive their reward, but we have received several fine Christian workers from other places who are taking over the jobs left for them to do.

The greatest need in our association today other than God's great message is for more workers in our churches. During the past year several of our workers have left the Reservation to find work and we feel the loss very greatly. Please pray that God will call more of our boys and girls to His full time service.

William E. Payne—Comm.

TRAINING UNION

As other organizations of our denomination play their parts in helping us to become efficient Christians for service in Bible study, and Missions the Training Union has a definite place in every Baptist church if they are to have a well balanced spiritual diet.

It has been said that the Training Union is the peoples school which every Baptist church can establish and operate, and every member can receive a Christian education.

In this organization church members learn to take places of leadership in speaking in public, they learn our Baptist doctrines, and how these doctrines bind us together in one glorious fellowship of faith and service.

We only have three churches with Training Unions, Big Witch, Rock Springs and Cherokee Mission Church with a total membership of 157.

Centists want so unless they know, therefore I recommend that this Associational body elect a person that is familiar with Training Union work, and willing to assist our churches that do not have

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Unions to organize and help them grow in this phase of our work as Associational Training Union Director.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ewell Payne

Rev. Baumgartner is given a few minutes to speak on Training Union work and its importance in the Kingdom's work.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

In Daniel 1:8 "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the King's meat nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuch that he might not defile himself."

As redeemed children of God and our bodies are fully dedicated to Him, we are not going to defile them, because when we do God cannot use them. We are to be temperate with our whole bodies that our witness for God might be fruitful unto Him. We are told in God's word to add to our knowledge, temperance, so if we have the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, then we will have mercy for our fellowman. We will be temperate in speech, as gossip is the very root of sin and can hurt the cause of Christ and be a hinderance to the promotion of His work. If we have our tongues bridled with temperance and fully dedicated to the Lord then He can use it in telling the world of His salvation, instead of killing the influence of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We need to deny ourselves of the desire for our own selves that we might be temperate in all things and help others in need spiritually and physically. Let us pray earnestly that we can see the need and be ready to answer the call to whatever service God can use us.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ella West

TIME AND PLACE

The next Associational meeting will be with the Macedonia Baptist Church, beginning Thursday at 10 a. m., October 3, 4, 5, 6, 1957.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Naomi Sneed
Mrs. Margaret Davis
Mr. Jim Bradley

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Sammie Walkingstick.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Nick Bradley.....	Whittier, N. C.
L. R. Bumgartner.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Ben Bushyhead.....	Whittier, N. C.
Deweese Bradley.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Esiah George.....	Whittier, N. C.
Goliath George.....	Whittier, N. C.
Clifford Hornbuckle.....	Whittier, N. C.
Ute Jumper.....	Whittier, N. C.
Ike Jackson.....	Robbinsville, N. C.
Dock Lambert.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Ed Lambert.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Dewitt Owle.....	Bryson City, N. C.
Ewell Payne.....	Cherokee, N. C.
William Payne.....	Box 174, Bryson City, N. C.
Solomon Queen.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Will Ratliff.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Dock Smith.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Sheppard Squirrel.....	Cherokee, N. C.
Bird Wade.....	Cherokee, N. C.
John Walkingstick.....	Cherokee, N. C.

James "Bo" Parris, Committee

OBITUARY

Cherokee Mission.....	Kenneth Maney, Mr. Fred Taylor
Echota.....	Mr. Riley Ledford, Everett Eller, Columbus Kanott
Macedonia.....	Mr. John Littlejohn, Mr. Freeman Bradley
Rock Springs.....	Mr. Peter Long
Rock Hill.....	Miss Callie Ben
Sequoyah.....	Mr. Jesse Armachain
Wrights Creek.....	Rev. Herman Ensley, Mr. Sam Crowe

Mrs. Myrtle Johnson, Committee

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FINANCE

Churches	Amount
Big Cove	\$10.00
Big Witch	\$10.00
Boiling Springs	\$10.00
Cherokee Mission	\$10.00
Echota	\$10.00
Little Snowbird	\$10.00
Macedonia	\$10.00
Piney Grove	
Rock Springs	\$10.00
Rock Hill	\$10.00
Sequoyah	\$10.00
Straightfork	\$10.00
Wrights Creek	\$10.00
Yellow Hill	\$10.00
Zion Hill	\$10.00
TOTAL	\$140.00
Offering 10-4-56	4.23
TOTAL	\$144.23
On Hand	\$182.63
TOTAL	\$326.86

Respectfully submitted,
Viola French

REPORT OF WOMANS MISSIONARY UNION

to the Annual Cherokee Baptist Association

October 4, 1956

With a sincere desire that the Baptist Women of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association may be sisters as devoted to the Lord as Miriam was to Moses, mothers like Hannah, Christians like Mary of Bethany, and church members like Lydia, a group from a number of churches of our Association met in the Mission Church on the night of October 3, 1955 and organized an Associational Womans Missionary Union. W. M. S. organizations from five churches were represented in the beginning of this work.

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Mrs. Ewell Payne
W.M.U. Associational Supt.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adopt the reports as submitted. Motion carried.

Time for Miscellaneous Business

Rock Springs has a request for \$100.00 to help complete their church. It is suggested that this request be settled by the Executive Committee. It was agreed by a unanimous vote to let the Executive Committee take care of this request.

It was voted unanimously to send Bro. Jones, speaker for Thursday afternoon, \$10.00 for his expenses coming to Cherokee. The question of an Associational Training Union worker is discussed. A motion was made and sustained by a second for the General Missionary to call representatives from churches having a Training Union and other churches interested to work out this problem. Motion carried.

HISTORIAN REPORT

"Lest we forget." It may be well to call to mind the Swain Indian Baptist Association was organized in 1881, afterward the body of this association was changed. viz—in 1919. "The Cherokee Baptist Association." In 1948, "The Cherokee Missionary Baptist Association." In 1953, "The Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association."

It is to be deplored that at this date only a few consecutive members of the minutes of this association can be found. It is earnestly requested that from this date forward much care should be given to preserving the records that will give the history of the proceedings of this body.

This report would be incomplete without acknowledging with gratitude work done by Alfred Corn, in 1840, a faithful missionary among the Indians. In 1853, Alfred Corn was appointed by the Domestic and Indian Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, after four years his appointment was discontinued because of lack of funds. The War Between the States was then on, this however made no difference so far as his labor was concerned. Though left to his own resources, he continued to preach and visit among them. A number of strong men were converted and called to the ministry under his preaching.

Rev. Armstrong Cornsilk, who was active in the ministry for more than fifty years, was pastor of the Buffalo Church when he died in the pulpit in 1925. The last sermon Brother Corn preached while sitting in a chair for he was too feeble to stand. Brother Cornsilk heard this sermon and testified that it was a great message.

Rev. John Jackson was a faithful servant at that time in 1876. There was a fine group of native ministers found when the first missionary was sent to this Indian reservation from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1917. There was a fine group of ministers aiding the Missionary, J. N. Lee, viz Rev. Sauate Owl, John Jackson, Bird Salolaneeta, Andrew Otter, Vanadaley Bradley, George Hornbuckle, Ute Jumper, W. B. Ratliff and James Screamer.

The Home Mission Board is deeply interested in our work.

Your Historian Committee,

Rev. Ben Bushyhead

Bro. Jarrett B. Blythe

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HISTORICAL TABLE — Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian

Year	Church	Preacher	Moderator	Clerk
1910	Macedonia	George Hornbuckle	Vandaley Bradley	Jno. Mumble
1911	Rock Springs	W. B. Ratliff	Andrew Otter	Jackson Long
1912	Echota	John Jackson	Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1914	Yellow Hill	W. B. Ratliff	Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1915	Rock Springs		Bird Salolaneeta	Jackson Long
1919	Big Cove	J. N. Lee	Ute Jumper	Ben Bushyhead
1920	Macedonia		Ute Jumper	Ben Bushyhead
1923	Echota	J. N. Lee	Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambe
1924	Cherokee	Ute Jumper	Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambe
1925	Rock Springs	James Screamer	Ute Jumper	H. N. Lambe
1927	Zion Hill	Ute Jumper	Ute Jumper	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1928	Echota	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1929	Macedonia	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	W. L. French
1930	Cherokee	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1931	Rock Springs	J. N. Lee	Andrew Otter	Mrs. J. N. Lee
1932	Macedonia	Andrew Otter	Andrew Otter	W. L. French
1933	Macedonia	Vandaley Bradley	Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owle
1934	Echota	Jona Lossie	Ute Jumper	W. L. French
1936	Wrights Creek	Clifford Hornbuckle	Vandaley Bradley	Johnson Owle
1937	Rock Springs			Johnson Owle
1938	Zion Hill		R. C. Smith	Johnson Owle
1939	Echota	Robert Smith	Robert Smith	Johnson Owle
1940	Big Cove	Robert Bushyhead	Robert Bushyhead	Sibbald Smith
1941	Macedonia	Dewitt Owle	Robert Smith	Mrs. Ella Wes
1942	Yellow Hill	Wm. Welch	Robert Smith	Mrs. Ella Wes
1943	Rock Hill	Dewitt Owle	William Welch	Mrs. Ella Wes
1944	Echota	Clifford Hornbuckle	William Welch	Mrs. Ella Wes
1945	Piney Grove	Clifford Hornbuckle	R. C. Smith	Mrs. Ella Wes
1946	Macedonia			Mrs. Ella Wes
1948	Macedonia	Dewitt Owle	R. C. Smith	Mrs. Ella Wes
1949	Sequoyah	Dewitt Owle	Nick Bradley	Mrs. Ella Wes
1950	Straight Fork	Robert Bushyhead	Nick Bradley	Mrs. Ella Wes
1951	Piney Grove	minutes not printed		Mrs. Ella Wes
1952	Sequoyah	minutes not printed		Mrs. Ella Wes
1953	Big Witch		Clifford Hornbuckle	Mrs. Lou Cro
1954	Yellow Hill	Nick Bradley	William S. Moody	Mrs. Lou Cro
1955	Big Cove	John Walkingstick	William S. Moody	Mrs. Lou Cro
1956	Mission	R. L. Baumgartner	Buck West	Mrs. Elizabeth

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Motion was made and sustained by a second to hear the reading of the minutes. Motion carried. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adjourn the business part of the Association until our next meeting. Carried.

It being time for the afternoon sermon the time was turned over to Rev. Wayne Slaton, of Bryson City, who brought a wonderful message that was helpful to all who heard it.

CHURCH, MEMBERSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Church	Pastors and Addresses	Sunday School Superintendent	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	W. M. U.	G. A.	Brotherhood	Training Union	Local Contributions	Denominational Contributions	Grand Total
Big Cove	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Manda Walkingstick, Cherokee	2	68	45	5			\$ 333.20	\$ 333.20	\$ 89.15	\$ 333.20
Big Witch	Sam Walkingstick, Cherokee	John A. Crowe, Cherokee	2	36	39				19 \$ 856.39	856.39	89.15	945.54
Big Spring	no pastor	Eugene Owle, Bryson City	13	13					45.00	45.00		45.00
Cherokee	Leslie R. Baumgartner, Cherokee	Roy Browning, Cherokee	14	299	144	41	12	14	95	4713.78	1050.39	5764.17
Chota	Ben Bushyhead, Whittier	Lloyd Lambert, Bryson City	1	56	74					80.79		80.79
Little Snowbird	James M. Parris, Cherokee	Noah Teesateskie, Robbinsville	2	20						109.99		109.99
Medonia	Nick Bradley, Whittier	George Burgess, Whittier	1	174	125	9				4094.71	149.52	4244.23
Neely Grove	no report	no report										
Rock Hill	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	William Owl, Cherokee	3	53	60					110.51		110.51
Rock Springs	Dock Smith, Cherokee	James Bradley, Cherokee	13	167	120				43	510.98	45.00	555.98
Sequoyah	Johnny Walkingstick, Cherokee	James Smith, Cherokee	43	26	6	5				181.36		181.36
Straight Fork	no pastor	Emerson Sequoyah, Cherokee	5	133	141					557.02		557.02
Twights Creek	Johnny Walkingstick, Cherokee	Ben Hornbuckle, Cherokee	2	60	65	5				178.51	1.00	179.51
Low Hill	James M. Parris, Cherokee	John Wahneetah, Cherokee	7	148	144	17				2410.64	49.58	2460.22
Low Hill	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Joe Conseen, Robbinsville	4	65	28					278.84		278.84

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

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Mr. James Bradley, Asst. Moderator	Whittier, Rt. 1, N. C.
Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe, Clerk	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Treasurer	Whittier, Rt. 1, N. C.
Rev. Esiah George, Interpreter	Whittier, Star R., N. C.

HISTORIANS

Mr. Jarrett B. Blythe,	Whittier, Rt. 1, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead,	Whittier, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Robert Bushyhead,	Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Sammie Walkingstick,	Cherokee, N. C.

COMMITTEES

Time and Place	Margaret Davis, Sara Wolfe, and Buck West
Denomination	Rev. William Payne, Bryson City, N. C.
Temperance	Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Whittier, Rt. 1, N. C.
Sunday School	Rachel Hornbuckle, Whittier, Rt. 1, N. C.
Ordained Ministers	Rev. James Parris, Cherokee, N. C.
Finance	Mrs. Viola French, Cherokee, N. C.
Obituary	Mrs. Ella West, Cherokee, N. C.
Training Union	Mrs. Marie Maney, Cherokee, N. C.

MESSENGERS

Big Cove:	Buck West, Susie West, Katie Davis, and William Payne
Big Witch:	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Boiling Springs:	Robert Bushyhead, James Conseen, Caroline Conseen and Maggie Wahyahneeta
Cherokee:	Sallie Browning, Nan Smith, Beulah Tahquette, Marie Maney, Oliver Smith, J. D. Griffin, Mrs. J. D. Griffin, Frank Reynolds and Mrs. Frank Reynolds.
Echota:	Noah Ledford, Ben Bushyhead, Nancy Bushyhead, Annie George, Jackson George and Lloyd Lambert
Little Snowbird:	Noah Teesateskie, Winnie Teesateskie, George Teesateskie, Sara Teesateskie and Dewitt Chikelelee
Macedonia:	Nick Bradley, George Burgess, Edith Bradley, Mary Blythe, Noah Cucumber and Leola Burgess
Piney Grove:	Boyd Shell and Agnes Lossiah
Rock Hill:	Esiah George and Peter Thompson
Rock Springs:	James Bradley, Dock Smith, Claudia Seav. Arnessa Maney, Rachel Hicks, John Maney, Deweese Bradley, Bernadette Hicks and Guy George
Sequoyah:	Meroney French, James Smith, and Viola French
Straightfork:	Russell Tooni and Mason Driver
Wrights Creek:	Ed Welch, Ben Hornbuckle, Katie Welch, Mary Hornbuckle, Johnny Walkingstick and Rachel Hornbuckle.
Yellow Hill:	James M. Parris, Jim West, and Ella West
Zion Hill:	Ike Jackson and Leslie Hedrick

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RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a. m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p. m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business sessions of the meeting are over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute this Association shall be members of the body.

ARTICLE IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary, incidental expenses, and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.

ARTICLE V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionaries.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance

of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions; give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend her the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association. If possible before adjournment.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letter and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.
5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained ministers. Denominational, Arrangement, Time and Place, Obituary and Finance, Training Union.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear report of committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for treasurers report.
11. Miscellaneous Business.

Macedonia Baptist Church,
Whittier, N. C.
October 3, 1957

The Association was opened up with singing led by Rev. Robert Bushyhead. Devotion by George Burgess, he first extends a hearty welcome to the Association and visitors. Bro. George reads for his

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scripture reading, 1 Cor. 15:51-58 and closes his devotion with prayer.

Letters from 15 churches of our Association were read. By a unanimous vote the letters were adopted and the messengers seated. 34 messangers were present.

The election of officers was next in order with the following elected:

Moderator	Mr. George Burgess
Asst. Moderator	Mr. James Bradley
Clerk	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Treasurer	Mrs. Mary Blythe
Historians	Jarrett B. Blythe Ben Bushyhead

Rev. Sammie Walkingstick and Rev. Robert Bushyhead was unanimously elected as Associational Missionaries. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Time and Place: Mrs. Margaret Davis, Sara Wolfe and Buck West

Denominational: Rev. William E. Payne

Temperance: Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle

Sunday School: Mrs. Rachel Hornbuckle

Ordained Ministers: Rev. James Parris

Finance: Mrs. Viola French

Obituary: Mrs. Ella West

Training Union: Mrs. Marie Maney

Motion made and second to adjourn until 1 o'clock for lunch. While a song was being sung a fellowship handshake was given.

The afternoon services is opened by singing led by Rev. Robert Bushyhead and Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle. Prayer led by Rev. Robert Bushyhead.

Devotional by Bro. James Bradley, he ask Rev. Esiah George to lead us in prayer before reading Matt. 3:2; 18:3, Gal. 2:16, Luke 19:9-10, John 4:22-25, Acts 4:12, Romans 1:16-17; 10:10-13. Sister Emily Walkingstick, who was scheduled for WMU report being absent we moved on to unfinished business.

It was voted unanimously that in the future in reading the Associational Letter, we read only the heading, the Messengers and the Highlights of the Church. A motion was made and sustained by a second that we hold an Associational wide Revival and give the Moderator the authority to appoint a committee to set the time and place for this meeting. Carried. The Moderator asks the Executive Committee to get together some time before we take up Miscellaneous business Saturday afternoon and give their report at that time.

Rev. Billy Payne suggests that a Pastor's conference in this Association would be helpful to all of us. The services is turned over at this time to Rev. J. D. Griffin for the Missionary Message.

Rev. Griffin offers the services of the Cherokee Church and himself. He reads Mark 16:1-20, followed by prayer. He tells us as Christ appeared unto the believers after he arose, he still appears only to the believers and if the lost are to know Christ, he is depending on the believers to bring the lost to Christ. Rev. Griffin speaks of a bewildered church, the back-sliding Christians, and a benighted world. We should go for three reasons: 1. Because of that which is back of us "The Power of God". 2. Because of that which is before us "The World of sin, shame, suffering, sorrow and sickness. 3. Because of the One who is with us, "I am with you always, even to the end of the world." The Moderator asked the messengers to go praying and come back tonight praying. Adjourned until 7:30 p.m.

Macedonia Baptist Church
Whittier, N. C.
October 4, 1957

The services began by singing two songs led by Bro. Noah Cucumber. Devotion by Bro. Jim Conseen, reading for his scripture reading St. John 14:26-31. Prayer led by Rev. Robert Bushyhead. Roll call was next in order with 36 messengers present.

It being time for open discussion the Moderator reads the scripture for discussion, St. John 14:4-6. Taking part in the discussion are Rev. James Parris, Rev. Esiah George, Bro. James Conseen and Rev. Dewitt Chickelelee.

The services at this time are turned over to Rev. Dewitt Chickelelee for the morning sermon, reading for his scripture reading Romans 9:10-16, Rev. Dewitt preached in the Indian language. The congregation sings 2 songs before being dismissed for lunch by Bro. Ed Welch.

The afternoon services are opened by congregational singing led by Bro. Noah Cucumber. Devotion led by Bro. Meroney French, reading Psalm 145:1-21, prayer led by Rev. Ben Bushyhead.

Sister Nan Smith speaks on cooperative program, first reading 1 Chron. 29:5-16. She explains the cooperative program and tells us of the work that can be accomplished by cooperation. Rev. Esiah George gives his report as Associational Missionary. Rev. James Parris is in charge of special music, he asks the congregation to sing "I Will Arise and Go To Jesus" in Indian. Rev. Ben Bushyhead and Sister Nancy, sang a duet in English and Indian.

The services is at this time turned over to Rev. Robert Bushyhead for the message of the afternoon. He preaches salvation thru Jesus Christ. Church membership and baptism are not enough unless we have been redeemed by the atoning blood of Jesus Christ. He brings us an oral picture of Christ as he went to the garden of Gethsemane as he was apprehended and stood before pilot, of the abuse that he took as he carried his cross up Golgotha.

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as he was nailed to the cross and as he gave his life so freely for our redemption. A solo "Blessed Redeemer" is sung by Rev. Ben Bushyhead. Rev. Robert Bushyhead reads Matt. 27:33-44 followed by prayer. He preaches the crucifixion of Christ. He asks is Christ passing us by or are we passing Him by? He tells us that plain water can not wash away our sins but it takes the blood of Jesus to cleanse us of sin.

A song is sung and an offering of \$6.70 is taken. Meeting adjourned until 10:00 a.m. with a benediction by the moderator, Bro. George Burgess.

Macedonia Baptist Church
Whittier, N. C.
October 5, 1958

The services began with singing led by Bro. Noah Cucumber. Prayer led by Bro. Ed Welch. Bro. Ed Welch read for his scripture reading II Cor. 1-9 commenting on scripture read.

Roll call was next in order with 34 messangers present. The congregation sings one song led by Bro. Noah Cucumber, Rev. James Parris sings one verse of "The Way Faring Stranger" as a solo then the congregation joins him on the remaining verses. Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle and Sister Rachel Hornbuckle sings 2 songs then leads the congregation in one song.

We have at this time a short period for testimonies. Those testifying are: Sister Rachel Hornbuckle, Bro. Oliver Smith, Bro. Frank Reynolds and Rev. Esiah George.

It being time for the eleven o'clock sermon, Rev. Parris who is scheduled for the sermon leaves time open for additional testimonies. Rev. Billy Payne gives his testimony. A song is sung as a fellowship handshake is given followed by an alter prayer led by Bro. James Conseen.

Rev. Parris reads 1 Tim. 2:5-6. He preaches One God, and one mediator, then he reads Acts 3:22-23, speaking of the prophets of God, then reads Luke 18:31-34, of Christ being delivered unto the gentiles of his resurrection from death. Indeed he was a prophet of God, then reading Hebrew 7:23-28, Christ enterceeds for his people, Hebrew 9:25, Christ's sacrifice of himself for our sins, Acts 2:30, Luke 17:21-22. he preaches the Kingdom of God is universal for all believers. God has laws and they are written on the hearts of man. He quotes Isiah 17:33, closes sermon with prayer.

Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Billy Payne.

The afternoon services is opened by congregation singing led by Bro. Noah Cucumber. Devotion led by Bro. Oliver Smith, asking Bro. E. C. Wilkie to lead us in prayer before reading and commenting on 1 Cor. 1:10-19 then closes devotion with prayer.

The following reports were given:

HISTORIAN

The first church was organized in 1851 which is known as the Echota Baptist Church, located in Birdtown Township by a young minister whose name was Alfred Corn. He preached among the Indians without pay or help from the State Mission Board. He organized two churches, Echota and Buffalo Church in Graham County, and these two churches are still in existence.

The Cherokee Baptist Association was organized in 1881 and includes the following churches: Echota, Yellow Hill, Macedonia, Rock Springs, Cherokee, Straight Fork, Big Cove, Wrights Creek, Zion Hill, Piney Grove, Boiling Springs, Sequoyah, Rock Hill, and Little Snowbird and Bigwitch.

The Mission Church at Cherokee, N. C. was built by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1922. The first missionaries sent out to the Indians by the Home Mission Board were Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Lee. They served among the Cherokee Indians sixteen years, from 1917-1933. Rev. W. F. Sinclair, who succeeded Rev. and Mrs. Lee, served two years, from 1933-35. Rev. and Mrs. Sinclair were succeeded by Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald, who served seven years, 1935-43, resigning in November 1943. Then Rev. and Mrs. J. Jeter Johnson came and served five years, 1943-48. Rev. and Mrs. Ewell Payne, who succeeded Rev. and Mrs. Johnson served nine years, 1948-57, with Rev. and Mrs. Charles Gunn coming as Missionary Pastor to Cherokee Church in 1954 and resigning the same year, followed by Rev. and Mrs. Leslie Baumgartner, who came in the spring of 1955 and staying through 1956. Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Griffin are the new appointees of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, succeeding Rev. and Mrs. Payne and Rev. and Mrs. Baumgartner. Rev. Griffin has done pastoral work since 1941 in North Carolina. He is serving as Missionary Pastor to the Cherokee Baptist Church and Missionary work to the Cherokee on the Reservation. This report would be incomplete without acknowledging with gratitude the work done by all our missionaries.

Today as never before people are seeking information regarding the happenings of the past. Throughout our land much emphasis is being placed upon the progress that various industries, institutions, and organizations have made since their beginning. Naturally the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association shares the same marked interest!

Frequently inquiry is made relative to the progress that has been achieved in the seventy-six years, and often we are confronted with questions like these; "What were the programs of our Association like in early days? How did the introductory sermons compare with the annual sermons of today? What texts were used for Introductory Sermons?" These and similar questions prompted

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this particular Historical report, with the hopes that these questions may be answered, at least in part.

Minutes 1910 (example) "The Swain Indian Baptist Association met in its twenty-ninth annual session at the Macedonia Baptist Church, Jackson County, N. C., September 29-30th and October 1-2nd, 1910. Rev. George Hornbuckle was appointed to preach the annual sermon, but he being absent, Rev. John Jackson was appointed to preach the sermon, which he did in a very able way from the following text, "Let us draw near with a true heart," taken from Hebrews the 10th chapter and the 22nd verse. After the Sermon, adjourned for dinner." Temperance report: We, your committee on temperance, submit the following report: We believe that the greatest curse on our reservation is the use of strong drink. Every now and then for the last year, our young men and older ones as well, have committed murder, and therefore, have to bear the punishment of being put in prison. To our sorrow some of these young men have been to Government Schools. We recommend that all the members of our churches use all their moral influence against this great curse. God tells us in His word that no drunkard or murderer shall inherit the kingdom of God. Brother B. Parker spoke on the temperance lesson in a very able way.

Committee:

Rev. John Jackson
Rev. B. Saloneeta
Rev. Suate Owl
Rev. Van Bradley
Bro. Leander Lossie

Report: 1910 C-members 121
Report: 1927 C-members 265
Report: 1953 C-members 1309
Report: 1956 C-members 1335
Report 1956 Sunday School members 1011
Report: 1956 Baptisms 55

Rev. Armstrong Cornsilk, who was active in the ministry for more than fifty years, was pastor of the Buffalo Church when he died in the pulpit in 1925. The last sermon Brother Corn preached while sitting in a chair, for he was too feeble to stand. Brother Cornsilk heard this sermon and testified that it was a great message.

Rev. Jackson was a faithful servant at that time in 1876. There was a fine group of native ministers found when the first missionary was sent to this Indian Reservation from the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1917. There was a fine group of ministers aiding the missionary, J. N. Lee, Viz-Rev. Suate Owl, John Jackson, Bird Salolaneeta, Andrew Otter, Vana-

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daley Bradley, George Hornbuckle, Ute Jumper, W. B. Ratliff and James Screamer.

We thank our good Heavenly Father first of all and we thank every faithful worker; but we rejoice that our blessed Saviour will say to the faithful as He has promised, "Well done, thou good and faithful servants, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Matthew 25:21.

Let us go on to greater things for our good Lord and His people, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever he has commanded, and we have His promise that He will be with us. Matthew 28:20.

Your Historian Committee.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead
Bro. Jarrett B. Blythe

FINANCE

Big Cove	\$10 00
Big Witch	10.00
Boiling Springs	10.00
Cherokee	10.00
Echota	10.00
Little Snowbird	10.00
Macedonia	10.00
Piney Grove	10.00
Rock Springs	10.00
Rock Hill	10.00
Sequoyah	10.00
Straightfork	10.00
Wrights Creek	10.00
Yellow Hill	10.00
Zion Hill	5.00
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Offering 10-4-57	6.70
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

The committee of Sunday School finds only one of our churches in the Association does not have Sunday School.

The committee also finds that there is a slight increase in our Sunday School Attendance for the entire Association. We also believe that every church needs to have a week of church census taken some time during the year, for the enrollment of our Sunday School is greater than our church members. This shows a greater field for building our church membership and having more people saved during our next associational year.

The committee believes that the reason for the few saved in our

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Association this past year is the neglect to teach Christ in our Sunday Schools by truly born again teachers of God. The Committee finds that the Sunday School is not a separate work or body but that it is the foundation or seed bed prepared by the teachers in our churches for the sowing of the precious work of God by the pastor of the church.

That here the foundation of Christian lives and Christian people are implanted that determine the success of a man, woman, boy or girl living in God's big world full of people. God sent his son! His Son died, we were saved, let us try to get some one saved this next year.

Prayerfully submitted
Sister Rachel Hornbuckle

DENOMINATIONAL

During the Associational year of 1957 our churches have fallen short in many places. In only two places can we show an increase. In the other places of achievements we have fallen behind. We have given \$1,815.99 more this year and have increased 72 in our church membership. I would like to make the following comparison in this years Denominational report with last years figures.

	1956	1957	Less	More
Total Offerings	\$15,745.36	\$17,561.35		\$1,815.99
Church Membership	1335	1407		72
S. S. Enrollment	1011	989	22	
T. U. Enrollment	157	140	17	
Bible School	5 Schools — 272 Enrolled			
W. M. U.	84	31	52	
Baptisms	54	20	34	

There have been some places we are proud of the things we have done. Rock Springs is in their new building and have taken down their old church. Big Cove has payed off their church debt while Sequoyah and Piney Grove have made improvements in their church buildings. Wrights Creek are completing their building. We are very happy to have with us, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Griffin. He has come to be the pastor of the Cherokee Church under the direction of the Home Mission Board. We welcome them to our Association and pray God's blessings on their work.

Our greatest place for concern should be in the small number of baptisms. We all know our giving of money is important; however, lost souls should be the first concern of our churches. Jesus said in John 15.1, "Every branch in him that beareth not fruit he taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit."

As a Denomination we must remember the words in Romans 10:14-15. "How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed and how shall they believe in him whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things"

Prayerfully Submitted
Rev. William E. Payne

TEMPERANCE

The committee on this great subject of temperance finds the Bible has many references in regards to this great subject.

The Bible teaches we should be temperate in all things. Often we refer to this subject as (drink) not only does it mean drink, but, (words) for the tongue is an unruly member, and is set on fire of Hell How often our speech betrays us, how easy to speak evil of our fellow men; when we that are strong need to hear the infirmities of the weak.

Not only in our words but in (eating) Prov. 23:21 for it is just as bad a sin to waste food as it is to shut up your bowels of compassion against your fellow man, yes, temperate in the care and health of our fellow members for it has been said cleanliness is next to Godliness.

Not only temperate in eating but temperate in our living for most of us are living too fast.

We certainly are living up to the words of Job. for our lives are swifter than a weavers shuttle. People don't visit like they once did, people don't love one another like they once did, yes, we need to be temperate in our living.

Temperate in our spending. I the committee on temperance am conscious of the fact that when tobacco or snuff, wine or beer, whisky or dope is mentioned we have quit preaching and gone to meddlin. But it is a known fact that when groceries or meats are bought at our stores on the Reservation or where ever it is bought, the chasers of snuff, tobacco, beer or cigarettes follows the average supply of groceries. God's word says why? why- spend ye money for that which is not food, know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things, I Cor. 9:25. here Paul says for his is a corrupt crown. but ours an incorruptible. So it seems needful if a mastery is strived for we must use temperance.

May our slogan or motto for the coming year be: "Temperate Tempers for the Tempter."

Prayerfully submitted
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle

TRAINING UNION REPORT

Beginning this new church year, we have only two churches with Training Union. Rock Springs membership 57; Cherokee Baptist Church, membership 86.

I think perhaps the reason more churches don't have a Training Union is because they do not know what it really teaches.

We find in II Timothy, 2nd chapter, 15th verse these words, "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth." Training Union gives us the opportunity to study the word of God more fully so we can be workman that explains the scripture in the right way. There is a place for every one in Training Union. Members of our churches, young and old through Training Union have been able to master the art of standing before a group and talking which is a drawback to so many of our Christians. I feel that a Training Union is essential to each church if they want to produce more capable leaders and teachers.

I feel that Training Union has been a blessing to our church. I would like to see more of our churches have a Training Union. If our Church (Cherokee) can assist in helping start a Union in your church we will be glad to do it. II Peter 3:18.

Prayerfully Submitted
Mrs. Marie Maney

ORDAINED MINISTERS

I Timothy 3:1-7 & Titus 1:6-9

Deweese Bradley	Cherokee
Nick Bradley	Whittier, Rt. 1
Ben Bushyhead	Whittier
Robert Bushyhead	Whittier
Dewitt Chickilelee	Robbinsville
J. D. Griffin	Cherokee
Goliath George	Cherokee
Esiah George	Whittier
Clifford Hornbuckle	Whittier
Ike Jackson	Robbinsville
Ute Jumper	Cherokee
Dock Lambert	Cherokee
Dewitt Owle	Bryson City, Rt. 1
James M. Parris	Cherokee
William E. Payne	Bryson City
Solomon Queen	Cherokee
Wil Ratliff	Cherokee
Dock Smith	Cherokee
Martin Smith	Cherokee
Sheppard Squirrel	Cherokee
Bird Wade	Whittier
John Walkingstick	Cherokee
Sammie Walkingstick	Cherokee

Respectfully submitted
Rev. James M. Parris

OBITUARY

BIG COVE—Mrs. Linda Wolfe

BOILING SPRINGS—Mr. Bascomb Walkingstick, Mrs. Jasper Walkingstick

ECHOTA—Mrs. Lucy Ann Wolfe

PINEY GROVE—Mrs. Alva M. Rollin

ROCK HILL—Mr. Edward George

STRAIGHTFORK—Mrs. Nicey Welch

ZION HILL—Mrs. Sarah Wachacha, Mrs. Ella Smoker

Respectfully Submitted.

Mrs. Ella West

TIME & PLACE

The next association will be held with the Wrights Creek Baptist Church October 2, 3, 4, 5, 1958 at 10 a.m.

A motion was made and voted unanimously to adopt all reports as given.

The general missionary of the N. C. Convention for the western district, E. C. Wilkie, is given time to speak at this time who brings an inspiring message of the debt of ours as children of God to the unsaved.

Miscellaneous Business: Bro. Frank Reynolds, and Rev. James Parrie spoke on Baptist Doctrines. Rev. Griffin reads an invitation to all our local churches to take part in the services of October 13 at the Mountainside Theatre. A short discussion is held on the need of a pastor in the Little Snowbird Baptist Church. It was voted unanimously to have a "Missions Committee" whose duty will be to survey our area and work with our Associational Missionaries in taking care of the needs of our churches. By a unanimous vote the Executive Committee was given the authority to appoint a Missions Committee.

The minutes of the Association were read and approved of by a unanimous vote.

It was voted unanimously to close the business session of the Association.

It being time for the preaching services the meeting was turned over to Rev. Esiah George, who used his scripture reading, Acts 9:9 and preached in the Indian language.

The Association adjourned with a benediction by Rev. Ben Bushyhead

George Burgess, Moderator

Elizabeth Crowe, Clerk

CHURCH, MEMBERSHIP And CONTRIBUTIONS

Church	Pastors and Addresses	Sunday School Superintendent	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	W. M. U.	G. A.	Local Contributions	Denominational Contributions	Grand Total
Big Cove	William Payne, B. C.	Wilbur Sequoyah, Cherokee	66	44	5		\$ 580	\$ 74	\$ 654	
Big Witch	None	John A. Crowe, Cherokee	3	35	49		882	555	1437	
Boiling Springs	Robert Bushyhead, Whittier	Eugene Owle, B. C.	6	28	51		212	16	228	
Cherokee	J. D. Griffin, Cherokee	Roy Browning, Cherokee	4290	118	16		7733	1324	9057	
Echota	Dewitt Chekelelee, R'ville	Noah Ledford, Cherokee	51				50		50	
Little Snowbird	None	Noah Teesateskie, R'ville	19				86		86	
Macedonia	Nick Bradley, Whittier	George Burgess, Whittier	2172	104			2058	41	2099	
Piney Grove	Sam Walkingstick, Cherokee	Boyd Shell, Cherokee	1	39	27		54		54	
Rock Hill	Ike Jackson, R'ville	Peter Thompson, Whittier	3		63		126		126	
Rock Springs	Dock Smith, Cherokee	James Bradley, Whittier, R 1	185	120			2597		2597	
Sequoyah	Ben Bushyhead, Whittier	James Smith, Cherokee	56	19	77		254	22	276	
Straight Fork	Esiah George, Whittier	Joe Johnson, Cherokee	128	143			214		214	
Wrights Creek	John Walkingstick, Cherokee	Ben Hornbuckle, Cherokee	61	56			364	7	371	
Yellow Hill	James M. Parris, Cherokee	Saloli Lossiah, Cherokee	3146	142	14		2264	56	2320	
Zion Hill	Leslie Hedrick, R'ville	Joe Conseen, R'ville	1	68	35		2585		2585	

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Seventy-Seventh Annual Session

OF THE

**CHEROKEE INDIAN
MISSIONARY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

HELD WITH

WRIGHTS CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Jackson County, North Carolina

October 2, 3, 4, 5, 1958

**CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZED 1881**

**MR. GEORGE BURGESS, MODERATOR, MRS. ELIZABETH
CROWE, CLERK**

**Next Session will Be Held With The Little Snowbird Baptist Church
October 1, 2, 3, 4, 1959**

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Mr. George Burgess, Moderator	Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Johnny Walkingstick, Ass't. Moderator	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe, Clerk	Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Treasurer	Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Jim Bradley, Interpreter	Cherokee, N. C.

HISTORIANS

Mr. Jarrett B. Blythe, Historian	Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Ben Bushyhead, Historian	Cherokee, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Deweese Bradley	Cherokee, N. C.
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COMMITTEES

Time and Place	Margaret Davis, Mrs. John Maney, and Gladys West
Denomination	Rev. James M. Parris
Temperance	Rev. Sammie Walkingstick
Sunday School	Rev. J. D. Griffin
Ordained Ministers	Mr. Russell Hornbuckle
Finance	Mr. Ed Welch
Obituary	Mrs. Juanita Hornbuckle

MESSENGERS

Big Cove: Buck West, Susie West, Gladys West and Laura Jane Hill

Big Witch: Elizabeth Crowe

Boiling Springs: Caroline Conseen, James Conseen and Ruth
Bushyhead

Cherokee: Emily Walkingstick, Nan Smith, Rev. J. D. Griffin, Sallie
Browning, Stacey Saunooke and Cain Saunooke

Echota: Lloyd Lambert, Jacob George, Rev. Ben Bushyhead and
Jackson George

Little Snowbird: George Teesateskie, Sara Teesateskie and Winnie
Teesateskie

Macedonia: Emiline Cucumber, Edith J. Bradley, Edith Bradley,
George Burgess, Mary B. Blythe and Rev. James M. Parris

Piney Grove: Rev. Goliath George, Jonah Feather, Boyd Shell,
Jesse Lossiah, Hoarse Metcalf, Margaret Metcalf, Lillian
Lossiah, Sallie Teesateskie and Cornelia Screamer

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Rock Hill: Peter Thompson, Esiah George, Mark Junaluskie and
Abel Lossiah

Rock Springs: James Bradley, Claudia Seay, Rachel Hicks, Noah
Smith and Arnessa Maney

Sequoyah: No Report

Straightfork: Joe Wolfe and Emaline Driver

Wrights Creek: Rachel Hornbuckle, Stacy Hornbuckle, John Smith,
Ed Welch, Marshall Winota, Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Russell
Hornbuckle, Jake Maney, and Johnny Walkingstick

Yellow Hill: Rev. James M. Parris, Katie Crowe, Margaret Davis,
Ella West and Jim West

Zion Hill: Rev. Leslie Hedrick, Sam Brown, and Raymond Jackson

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a.m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p.m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business sessions of the meetings are over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute this Association shall be members of the body.

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ARTICLE IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary, incidental expenses, and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.

ARTICLE V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian Missionaries.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution; preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions; give his opinion concerning the subject in discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each Annual Session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend her the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association. If possible before adjournment.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.
5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained Ministers, Denominational, Arrangement, Time and Place, Obituary and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear report of committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for treasurer's report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

Wrights Creek Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
October 2, 1959

The services began with congregational singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, brings the devotion, commenting on UNITY, he then reads Ephesians 5:19-25; followed by altar prayer led by Rev. James Parris.

The Highlights & messengers of the Associational letters are read, with 46 messengers answering roll call. 14 churches are represented by letter.

Motion made and second to adopt the letters as read and seat the messengers. Carried.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator	Mr. George Burgess
Asst. Moderator	Mr. John Walkingstick
Clerk	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Treasurer	Mrs. Mary B. Blythe
Interpreter	Mr. Jim Bradley
Asso. Missionary	Mr. Deweese Bradley

Bro. Russell Hornbuckle leads the congregation in singing before turning the services over to Bro. John Walkingstick, who brings the Doctrinal Sermon. Reading for his Scripture reading Acts 2:41-47; selecting as his text the 44th verse "and all that believed were together and had all things common."

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He preaches unity in the church, of power and love gained by working together. Mark 16:17, he tells us that power is not limited to anyone as long as they are in unity with God. Acts 5, he tells of Anniah, who promised all, but gave only a part and compares our daily walk in that we give only part of ourselves to the church and part of the time we do as we please. Our churches are weakened because we are not working together. He tells of souls that should be won and added to the church by working in unity. We need to pray more if we want a revival in our church. When we get right with God we will come with singleness of heart. Johnny turns the services back to the Moderator and we are dismissed for lunch by Bro. Esiah George.

The afternoon session met according to adjournment with congregational singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle, an offering of \$7.67, was taken up while a song was being sung. The Moderator then appoints the following committees:

Time & Place: Margaret Davis, Mrs. John Maney, Gladys West

Denominational: Bro. James M. Parris

Temperance: Bro. Sammie Walkingstick

Sunday School: Bro. J. D. Griffin

Ordained Ministers: Bro. Russell Hornbuckle

Finance: Bro. Ed Welch

Obituary: Mrs. Juanita Hornbuckle

Training Union: Bro. Jim Bradley

Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle leads the congregation in singing of two songs. Bro. John Smith, brought the devotion reading, Luke 8:11-16, and commenting on same. Altar prayer led by Bro. J. D. Griffin.

The WMU report is given by the Associational WMU President, Mrs. Emily T. Walkingstick. Motion made and second to accept the WMU report. Motion carried.

Bro. Griffin introduces Bro. Earnest C. Upchurch, Secretary of Church Development Department, who is to bring the Missionary sermon and explain his work. Bro. Upchurch brings greetings from M. A. Huggins and a heart call for World Missions Reading Acts 1:6-12, taking as his text the 8th verse. He calls to our attention the fact that these are the Words of Jesus. We have no business to deny the Words of our Master—it is time to assume the responsibility of a Missionary. The passing of time and things should be a challenge of all of us to build on the Lord Jesus Christ. To be a Missionary is to witness for Christ. Can we be Christians and not believe in missions? Our objective in Missions is to bring in the Kingdom of God. If the church doesn't rise up and do something then the devil's tribe will increase. When the Lord speaks there is one thing for a Christian to do, rise up in humble obedience. We ought to witness at home but

we still have an obligation to the heathens abroad. In taking part in the cooperative program, we are helping to carry the message around the world. He reminds us of our responsibilities to tell the Gospel around the world. Closes sermon with prayer.

Bro. Upchurch explains his work in detail

1. We can do this work next June
2. Individual churches vote in conference to ask for this help
3. One man or worker from each church to every 10 homes.

There will be one sent in to help each church.

Cost at least \$100.00, to department. Free will offering from church. The church will keep a worker if they can.

Motion made that we indorse the program that Bro. Upchurch has brought before us and that the Moderator be notified and he in turn notifies Bro. Upchurch. Motion carried. The Association adjourns with benediction by Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle.

Wrights Creek Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
October 3, 1959

The Friday morning session began with congregational singing led by Bro. James M. Parris. Altar prayer led by Bro. Johnny Walkingstick. Sister Arnessia Maney, brings the morning devotion, she asks the congregation to pray together the Lord's Prayer. She then reads I Cor. 1:10 and Eph. 4:3.

Roll Call was next in order with 39 messengers answering to Roll call.

It now beings time for open discussion the Moderator asks that we use cooperative program as our subject and asks Bro. Griffin to open the discussion. Bro. Griffin explains the origin and the reason for the cooperative program. No one else having any comments on subject in discussion the service is at this time turned over to Bro. G. George for the morning sermon after some comments on unity in both English and Indian, he asks the congregation to sing "Come Unto Me" led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle, prayer led by Bro. G. George, followed by singing in Indian. Bro. George, read Ephesians 4:3-13 in both the Indian and English language and using as his text the 13th verse. The congregation sings "I Feel Like Traveling On" while a fellowship hand shake is given. Another song is sung and an offering of \$6.89 is taken up.

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle.

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Friday afternoon session was opened by congregational singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Sister Ella West, brought the devotion by reading St. John 17:20-22; Romans 12:5 and Eph. 2:10, commenting on Scripture read followed by prayer led by Rev. James M. Parris.

The service is at this time turned over to Bro. Able Lossiah, for the afternoon sermon. He reads John 13:34-35; he tells us of some of his inward experiences in the pulpit, as a new minister. He talks of the love we should have for each other and that we should love our enemies too. He tells us that our churches are oftentimes weakened because some of us have hardness in our hearts for our neighbors. He finishes his sermon in the Indian language. With a little time on hand the Moderator leaves an opening for testimonies. Those testifying are Bro. James M. Parris, Ed Welch, Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle. Congregational singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle.

The meeting dismissed with a benediction by Bro. Jim Riley. The Moderator reminds us to remember the night services.

Wrights Creek Baptist Church
Cherokee, N. C.
October 4, 1959

The Saturday morning service is opened by congregational singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Bro. Ralph Owl, brings the morning devotion reading, Acts 2:42-47. In commenting on Scriptures read he explains the early church as being a wisdom seeking church, a church of fellowship, a praying church, working miracles, united church, a joyful church and a fruitful church.

Roll call was next in order with 32 messengers answering.

The following Associational Missionary report was given by Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

During the Associational year of 1957-58 I had the joy and privilege of working with the pastors of several churches of the Association. The co-operation with which you responded is deeply appreciated. I have preached, taught and in some cases acted as Moderator in several of the churches. I am grateful also for the wonderful way that you took care of the expenses by granting to me the love offerings you received in my behalf.

In addition to the reservation-wide revival held with the Yellow Hill Baptist Church, several of the churches sponsored their own with several professions and rededications.

It has been a joy to note that the Young People of the Association have shown interest in higher learning and training. This year there are three of them that have entered our Baptist schools in addition to those who were already enrolled. As I see them off to school, and as they go to prepare for a more efficient service for the Master, I am thoroughly convinced that this is the solution to many of the problems here; "Trained Leadership". Doors are still open to those who are willing to go. Let us pray that the Lord will honor us by calling some of the boys and girls for definite Christian service.

I recommend to this Association that some time before January we hold a Bible school for all preachers, and all who are interested, and study Church Administration, Church History, Church Doctrines, and other subjects of like importance. The teachers for such studies are available. Thanking the Association for all the help and prayers I conclude my report.

Prayerfully Submitted,

Robert Bushyhead

The service is turned over to Bro. Griffin, for the morning sermon, reading Romans 13:10. He speaks some moments on love and unity. With illustrations he warns us it may be later than you think. Reading II Timothy 3:1-5; extending an invitation after closing his message with prayer. Adjourned for lunch.

The Saturday afternoon session began with congregational singing led by Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

Mr. & Mrs. Andy Hill and daughter are recognized as visitors from Dana Baptist Church. As another song is sung an offering of \$7.67 is taken up.

A quartet sings 3 inspiring songs before Bro. Buck West brings the devotional reading. He reads Ephesians 4:13 and comments on Theme "Unity" closing devotion with prayer.

It is now time for the reports and the following are given.

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WRIGHTS CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1957 — 1958

RECEIPTS:		EXPENDITURES:	
1. Big Cove	\$ 10.00	Clerk, Elizabeth Crowe	\$ 10.00
2. Boiling Springs	10.00	Treas., Mary Blythe	5.00
3. Big Witch	10.00	Interpreter, Esiah G.	10.00
4. Echota	10.00	Missionaries:	
5. Macedonia	10.00	Sam Walkingstick	30.00
6. Cherokee (Mission)	10.00	Robert Bushyhead	30.00
7. Piney Grove	10.00	Back pay to Bro.	
8. Rock Springs	10.00	Esiah G., former Miss.	30.00
9. Little Snowbird	10.00	To Cooperative Program ..	6.52
10. Rock Hill	10.00	Printing of Minutes	85.00
11. Straight Fork	10.00	Stamps & Stationery	2.50
12. Yellow Hill	10.00		
13. Sequoyah	10.00	Total Expenditures	\$209.02
14. Wrights Creek	10.00		
15. Zion Hill	5.00		
	\$145.00		
Brought forward	180.00		
	\$325.00		
Offering	6.70		
	\$331.70		
Less	209.02		
Bal. on Hand	\$122.68		

Mary B. Blythe, Treasurer

In the absence of Bro. James Parris, Bro. Robert Bushyhead gives an oral report on Denominational.

TEMPERANCE

Reading Isaiah 28:1-4. Unveiled before us in this report we can see the awful abuses in the private lives as well as in the Public, the moral induration of the drunkard habit. Liquor & wine smashes

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all hopes of a happy future but The Way of the Cross Leads Home. Liquor & wine robs, kills and steals, but in Christ there is peace, joy and happiness. May our tongues ever proclaim the wonderful blessings received from God. A good man out of the treasurer of his heart bringeth forth that which is good. An evil man out of the evil treasurer of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil, for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh. Avoiding gossip, tale bearing, back biting. Be temperate in all things, conducting ourselves, our body, being masters of same. Some today almost make a religion of physical exercise, such as athletics of which gets their best devotion. They talk of nothing else, read of nothing else. Before taking that other step stop and ponder which side of the fence are we on. Sow an act and reap a habit, sow a habit and reap a character, sow a character and reap a destiny.

Prayerfully Submitted,

Bro. Sammie Walkingstick

An oral report on Training Union was given by Bro. Jim Bradley, stating how much the Training Union had helped their church and urges the other churches in the Association to organize Training Unions in their church.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

II Timothy. 2:14-16

Deweese Bradley	Cherokee
Nick Bradley	Cherokee
Ben Bushyhead	Whittier
Robert Bushyhead	Whittier
Dewitt Chickilelee	Robbinsville
J. D. Griffin	Cherokee
Goliath George	Cherokee
Esiah George	Whittier
Clifford Hornbuckle	Cherokee
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Dewitt Owle	Bryson City, Rt. No. 1
James M. Parris	Cherokee
Solomon Queen	Cherokee
Will Ratliff	Cherokee
Dock Smith	Cherokee
Martin Smith	Cherokee
Sheppard Squirrel	Cherokee
Bird Wade	Whittier
John Walkingstick	Cherokee
Sam Walkingstick	Cherokee

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Russell Hornbuckle

OBITUARY

We the committee on obituary have listed our beloved dead as follows:

CHEROKEE—Mr. Wallace Bradley

ECHOTA—Bro. Bird Partridge, Rev. Ute Jumper

MACEDONIA—Mr. Fidel Reed, Mrs. Winnie Larch

ROCK HILL—Mr. Stan Ben

ROCK SPRINGS—Mrs. Edna Bradley, Mrs. Irene Conseen, Mr.
Larch Tooni

YELLOW HILL—Mr. Jake Smith

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Juanita Hornbuckle

TIME & PLACE

The next Association will be held with the Little Snowbird Baptist Church, Robbinsville, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, which will be October 1, 2, 3, & 4, 1959 at 10 a.m. (EST)

Committee
Mrs. Margaret Davis,
Mrs. John Maney
Miss Gladys West

Motion made and second to adopt reports as given. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Business: Motion made and second to give the moderator \$10.00, for expenses. Carried. The moderator calls to our attention that we only have one missionary and there is a question as to the amount that will be allowed for the Missionaries expenses.

Motion made and second that the Association pay the Missionary \$75.00 for the coming year. Motion carried.

Minutes of the meeting were called for by the moderator. Minutes read. Motion made and second to adopt the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Motion made and second to adjourn the business part of the meeting. Carried.

It being time for the afternoon sermon the services were turned over to Bro. Dewese Bradley.

CHURCH, MEMBERSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Church	Pastors and Addresses	Sunday School Superintendent					
Big Cove.....	John Walkingslick, Cherokee	Wilbur Sequoyah, Cherokee	1	55		\$222	\$ 20
Big Witch.....	None	John A. Crowe, Cherokee	2	31	112		\$ 112
Boiling Springs.....	Robert Bushyhead, Whittier	Mrs. Robert Bushyhead, W	2	29	39	177	177
Cherokee.....	J. D. Griffin, Cherokee	Roy Browning, Cherokee	20	312	116	17	20
Echota.....	Arthur Locust, Bryson City	Margaret Brady, Whittier	6	58	42	89	71
Little Snowbird.....	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville	Noah Teesateskie, Robbinsville	2	23	24	35	14
Macedonia.....	Rev. James M. Parris, Cherokee	George Burgess, Cherokee	3	176	100	156	3
Piney Grove.....	G. George, Cherokee	Boyd Shell, Cherokee	8	49	54	308	208
Rock Hill.....	Abel Lossiah, Cherokee	Peter Thompson, Whittier	3	160	120	92	308
Rock Springs.....	Dock Smith, Cherokee	Fred Bradley, Cherokee	7	160	120	215	2
Sequoyah.....	(no report)						
Straight Fork.....	Esiah George, Whittier	Mollie Sequoyah, Cherokee	4	98	57	96	96
Wrights Creek.....	Johnny Walkingslick, Cherokee	Edward Welch, Cherokee	6	161	115	117	117
Yellow Hill.....	James M. Parris, Cherokee	Shepherd Squirrel, Cherokee	6	161	115	222	6
Zion Hill.....	Leslie Hedrick, Robbinsville	Joe Conseen, Robbinsville		57	25	55	223
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LITTLE SNOWBIRD BAPTIST CHURCH
Robbinsville, North Carolina

October 1, 2, 3, 1959

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZED 1881

REV. ROBERT BUSHYHEAD, MODERATOR
MRS. ELLA WEST, CLERK

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**Next Session Will Be Held With Boiling Springs, Rock Springs,
And Piney Grove Baptist Churches on September 29, 30, and
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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Mr. Robert Bushyhead, Moderator.....Whittier, N. C.
Mr. John A. Crowe, Ass't.Moderator..Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Ella West, Clerk.....Cherokee, N. C.
Mrs. Mary Blythe, Treasurer.....Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Jim Bradley, Interpreter.....Cherokee, N. C.

HISTORIANS

Mr. Jarrett B. Blythe, Historian....Cherokee, N. C.
Mr. Ben Bushyhead, Historian.....Whittier, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. Deweese Bradley.....Cherokee, N. C.

COMMITTEES

Time and Place.....Bro. J. M. Parris and Boyd Shell
Denomination.....Rev. J. D. Griffin
Temperance.....Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Sunday School.....Mr. Buck West
Ordained Ministers.Mrs. Margaret Davis
Finance.....Mr. Ed Welch
Obituary.....Mr. Charles Lossiah

MESSENGERS

Big Cove: Bro. James Parris, Buck West, Mrs.
Amanda Walkingstick
Big Witch: Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Boiling Springs: Bro. James Conseen and Mrs.
Caroline Conseen
Cherokee: Mrs. Stacy Saunooke, Cindy Taylor,
Sally L. Browning, Nan Smith, and
Naomi Sneed

Echota: Bro. Lloyd Lambert, George Taylor, and
Nannie Taylor

Little Snowbird: Bro. Noah Teesateskie and
Tahquette Wallace

Macedonia: Mrs. Emaline Cucumber and Minda Reed

Piney Grove: Bro. G. George, Boyd Shell, Charles
Lossiah, Bessie George, Lillian
Lossiah, Agnes Lossiah, Cornelia Mae
Screamer, and Jean Jackson

Rock Hill: Bro. Esiah George and Mark Junaluska

Rock Springs: James Bradley

Sequoyah: Bro. James Smith and Viola French

Straightfork: Bro. Joe Wolfe

Wrights Creek: Mrs. Rachel Hornbuckle and Ed Welch

Yellow Hill: Mrs. Margaret Davis, Jim West, Ella
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9. Call for Treasurer's report.
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Little Snowbird Baptist Church
Robbinsville, North Carolina
October 1, 1959

The 78th Annual Session of the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association opened at 10:00 a.m. with a song service. Rev. Esiah George bringing the devotion, reading I John 5: 4-9 and commenting on same in Indian, closing his remarks with prayer.

11 churches were present and letters read with 21 messengers answering roll call.

Motion made and second to adopt the letters as read and seat the messengers. Carried.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator.....	MR. Robert Bushyhead
Asst. Moderator.....	Mr. John A. Crowe
Clerk.....	Mrs. Ella West
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Mary B. Blythe
Interpreter.....	Mr. Jim Bradley
Asso. Missionary.....	Rev. Deweese Bradley

The morning denominational sermon was brought by Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle.

The afternoon session began with singing in Indian led by Bro. Esiah George. Devotion led by Bro. Ed Welch, reading Matt. 25: 1-13, we find this scripture speaking of oil, which represents the Holy Spirit which we all should have in order to be ready for the coming of Christ, so many of our people are not concerned about these services of God. Our people would not be mided if we were awake and

about our Father's business. Prayer led by Bro. Ed Welch. Letters from Bigwitch, Piney Grove and Macedonia and Yellow Hill were read. Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt the letters read and seat the messengers. Carried.

WMU report given by Sis. Viola French, reporting the Cherokee Baptist Church being active in their work and Yellow Hill as a WMS meets every week. We need to urge our women to work. Motion made and sustained by a second we adopt the report as given by Sis. Viola French. Carried.

The Moderator then appoints the following committees:

Time & Place: Bro. J. M. Parris and Boyd Shell

Denominational: Rev. J. D. Griffin

Temperance: Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe

Sunday School: Mr. Buck West

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Training Union: Mr. James Bradley

Program Comm: Executive Committee

Letter from Mars Hill College was read by the Moderator. It was suggested that the Association meet in different churches during its session instead of one church, in this way more churches can be visited. This was interpreted by Bro. Jim Bradley, in Indian.

Moved and sustained by a second that beginning at our next Association we meet one day with 3 different churches. Carries. An offering of \$3.81 was taken up.

The State Convention Speaker not being present Bro. James M. Parris took this time and read Acts 1: 10-11. What we can do for God must be done now at this present hour. I serve a risen Christ with a

glorified body and is alive. The disciples were told this same Jesus you have seen go away is going to come in like manner. We see sin in every form now that our people are so busy with and which causes tears from many christian's eyes. But our hearts should rejoice to realize when the Son of God comes sin in all its form is going to be defeated. The coming of Jesus is not going to be a secret the Bible says, "every eye shall see him." Bro. Parris closing his remarks with prayer.

The Moderator calls for the reading of the minutes for the day. Minutes read by the clerk. Moved and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes of the day as read. Carried.

The Moderator and Asst. Moderator not going to be present at the evening services. Bro Esiah George was appointed to moderate the evening services. The meeting adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Friday and closed with benediction by Sis. Rachel Hornbuckle.

Little Snowbird Baptist Church
Robbinsville, North Carolina
October 2, 1959

The services began with singing led by Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle. Devotion by Sis. Amanda Walkingstick, read in Indian Titus 2:13-15 and commented on same in Indian, closing with prayer. Roll call was next in order with 18 messengers answering and four churches being absent.

Bro. Jim Bradley made the following report on Training Union, stating Rock Springs and the Cherokee Baptist Church being the only churches in our Association having Training Unions. He makes a testimony of how the training union has helped him personally.

Mrs. Margaret Davis makes the following report on Ordained Ministers, stating 25 ordained ministers

CHURCHPASTORS & ADDRESSES

Big Cove	James M. Parris, Cherokee
Bigwitch	Nick Bradley, Cherokee
Boiling Springs	Robert Bushyhead, Whittier
Cherokee	J.D. Griffin, Cherokee
Echota	Arthur Locust, Bryson City
Little Snowbird	Robert Bushyhead, Whittier
Macedonia	None
Piney Grove	Goliath George, Cherokee
Rock Hill	Abel Lossiah, Cherokee
Rock Springs	Dock Smith, Cherokee
Sequoyah	None
Straight Fork	Esiah George, Whittier
Wrights Creek	None
Yellow Hill	Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee
Zion Hill	Abel Lossiah, Cherokee

TOTALS: 15 Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS & addresses:

Big Cove	Wilbur Sequoyah, Cherokee
Bigwitch	John A. Crowe, Cherokee
Boiling Springs	Ruth Bushyhead, Whittier
Cherokee	Roy A. Browning, Cherokee
Echota	Lloyd Lambert, Bryson City
Little Snowbird	Noak Teesateskie, Robbinsville
Macedonia	James A. Bradley, Cherokee
Piney Grove	Boyd Shell, Cherokee

Church Members	Sunday School Members	W.M.U. Members	Local Contri- butions	Denomi- nation Contri- butions	Total Contri- butions
50	57	-	\$ 154	\$ -	\$ 154
34	28	-	467	61	528
31	45	-	546	-	546
343	172	70	7,592	1,524	9,116
45	-	-	50	-	50
22	10	-	114	-	114
113	-	-	969	10	979
-	69	-	133	-	133
53	49	-	140	-	140
204	120	12	321	-	321
30	21	-	25	-	25
-	60	-	116	-	116
98	64	-	461	48	509
157	106	13	1,570	48	1,618
58	26	-	63	-	63
2,238	827	95	\$12,721	\$1,691	\$14,412

Rock Hill	Julius Taylor, Whittier
Rock Springs	Charles Craig, Cherokee
Sequoyah	None
Straightfork	David Swayney, Cherokee
Wrights Creek	Edward Welsh, Cherokee
Yellow Hill	Sam Wahneetah, Cherokee
Zion Hill	Sam Brown, Robbinsville

in our Association and if all of them were on fire for God, none of our churches would be without a pastor.

The following Sunday School report was given: We the Committee on Sunday School find some 850 to 900 grand total enrollment reported to this Association, several churches; however, have no report at all on Sunday School, not because they have no Sunday School but the interest and the Sunday School as a whole is not at heart. The Committee finds that not so much as the business as having a Sunday School as it is doing what we can with what we have to do with. Sunday School is the only teaching of the work our churches has to teach the people and because we fail to teach, our preachers fail to preach and our people fail to measure up to the fulfillment of God's word because the measurements of our Christian life have been overlooked.

Respectfully submitted Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle

Moved and sustained by a second that the Training Union, Sunday School, and Ordained Ministers reports be accepted as given. Carried.

It being time for the sermon the services were turned over to Bro. Robert Bushyhead, reading John 16:7-11. It is unto us that he is sending this Comforter "the Holy Spirit" and when He is come unto you it is through you that He will reprove the world of sin. Prayer led by Bro. James Parris. There is a vast difference in knowing about a person and knowing a person. The Holy Spirit is a person, He has been referred to us as a Dove. A dove is gentle and has no weapon of warfare, if we have the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, we should be gentle and have no hate in our hearts. We are told that the dove has no gall bladder, therefore, this teaches me that the Holy Spirit has no form of bitterness. The Holy Spirit convicts of sin, do we

know the Holy Spirit in person? Do you have him dwelling in you? Do you have doors of your social, moral, and economical life? If we have all the doors of our lives open to the Holy Spirit, then we are filled with the Holy Spirit. The only solution to our future problems is to let the Holy Spirit have access to every phase of our lives. While a song was being sung an invitation was given and a fellowship handshake was given. Adjourned for lunch with benediction by Bro. Ed Welch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. James Parris. Devotion brought by Sis. Maggie Wahneetah reading Romans 12:2 and commenting on same in Indian. In closing she sang a solo "No Place to Hide but Lord in Thee". Prayer led by Sis. Maggie Wahneetah.

Motion made and second that we use this time given to Special Music for more comments on the Cooperative Program. Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle spoke by using several minutes to report the different phases of the work, illustrating and showing the different ways we can give. Mrs. Ella West spoke on the Cooperative work telling how all of us with our little bit cooperating together can do great things for God and the advancement of His kingdom among men. While we are working here in our homeland our gifts can be working to the uttermost parts of the world for God.

Bro. Clifford Hornbuckle brought the afternoon sermon, using for his subject "Don't be Discouraged" reading Isaiah 40:28-31, if we prove to God that we are willing to do something for him He will bless us. Let us not be discouraged, there is not a thing to be discouraged about if we will let God take care of these problems for us. Keep reaching out for God by faith. Closing his message with prayer.

While a song was sung an offering was taken up of \$6.28.

Minutes of the day were called for and read by the Clerk. Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt and approve the minutes of the day as read. Carried.

Meeting adjourned with benediction by Bro. Esiah George.

Little Snowbird Baptist Church
Robbinsville, North Carolina
October 3, 1959

The services began with singing. Altar prayer was led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Devotion by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle, reading 2 Tim. 4:1-8 and commenting on same. Roll call was next in order with 21 messengers answering roll call, and 3 churches were absent. The service was turned over to Bro. Ed Welch, who took an offering of \$2.55.

A letter which was received from the Superintendent at the Home of the Aged, James M. Hayes, was read. Enclosed in the letter was a suggested report (1959).

Moved and sustained by a second that we accept the suggested report from James M. Hayes, Baptist Home for the Aged. Carried.

Bro. Dewese Bradley, Associational Missionary gave his report. I visited all the churches in our Association although I met with some churches more than others because I felt the need greater there. I found only one church did not have a pastor. Most of the churches had preaching services, some only had part-time pastors. We need to get concerned about the work, and I find no better time to start then right now. It is no wonder our young people are slack in our churches, because of our slackness in failing to teach and work with them.

I have conducted two revivals - one at Little Snowbird and one at Straightfork. We did not have any professions of faith during the year, but had 26 or 27 rededications. But not until we get together can we have a successful year. We need to study more of God's word. The difference lies between owning a Bible and using it. Closes his report by requesting prayer for himself and his family.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Russell Hornbuckle. Bro. James Bradley brought the devotion using for his scripture reading Titus 2:12-13 and Col. 3:4; 1 John 2:28; 1 John 3:2; and Matt. 24:30; theme "The Glorious Appearing" and commenting on same. Prayer led by Bro. Jim Conseen. Roll call with 20 messengers answering and three churches were absent.

Treasurer's report was given by Bro. Jarrett Blythe, stating a balance of \$86.64 on hand. This report was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Temperance report was given by Sis. Elizabeth Crowe. Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt the temperance report as given. Carried. Obituary report was given by Bro. Boyd Shell. Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt the obituary report as given. Carried.

Thursday before the first Sunday in October the Association will meet with the Boiling Springs Baptist Church, Friday with Rock Springs and Saturday with Piney Grove Baptist Church. Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt the arrangement of the Time and Place Committee. Carried.

Denomination report given by James M. Parris as follows: "And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter (petros-literally, a little rock), and upon this rock (petra - large rock) I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail

against it", Matt. 16:13. The working arm of the kingdom of Christ in this present age are the churches. Therefore, it is important to know the meaning of the word church. The literal meaning is a called-out assembly from two Greek words "eh" "out of" and Kaleo "to call". A good definition of a Christian Church is, a body of scripturally baptized disciples accepting Christ only as their redeemer, His sole authority for their government. His teachings for their faith, and administering the ordinances as he delivered them. As only visible persons can be baptized, accept Christ as Saviour, etc., it stands to reason the only churches that exist, and have existed from the days of Christ are visible ones. I stand upon the teachings of God's word there is no such thing as an invisible universal church!

Every local assembly is responsible to Christ alone. No associations or conventions can, therefore, direct the policies of any church.

But it is clear and scriptural and reasonable that churches unite together to advance the cause of God's kingdom. This has long perplexed human institutions, that falsely say our Baptist churches can remain independent and yet join together for such work as we are engaged in. The answer that satisfied my mind is we are under the leadership of God the Holy Spirit. At the present there are 31,000 churches with 9,500,000 members in the Southern Baptist Convention. New churches are being established every day. At the present we support over 1,305 foreign missionaries and over 1,386 home missionaries.

Let us continue to cooperate with our brethren, and humble ourselves before God that greater things may be done for the Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted

James "Bo" Parris

Moved and sustained by a second that we accept and adopt the report on Denomination as given. Carried.

Finance report given by Bro. Ed. Welch stating \$145 brought in as Association fees and an offering of \$12.74 taken up at this Association, making a total of \$157.74, brought in during this Association.

Moved and sustained by a second that we accept and adopt the Finance report as given. Carried.

Moved and sustained by a second that our Historian Bro. Jarrett Blythe be authorized to investigate the minutes of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association and get them, if possible.

Moved and sustained by a second that we insert a picture of Bro. Fitzgerald and dedicate the minutes to him. Carried.

The afternoon message was brought by Bro. Deweese Bradley, using for his scripture Hebrew 9:27. We don't know whether we will be privileged to meet at another Association. Let us pray that we will be ready for this judgment, we are all headed for. Jesus is coming soon, how will it be with your soul when he comes? If you have been baptized and have not had a change of heart, you still need to repent of sin, and believe and trust completely in Christ. This time is closer then we think. It is appointed unto man once to die and after that the judgment. While a song was sung an invitation was given. Prayer led by Bro. Deweese Bradley.

The Moderator reminded us that we are coming to the last moments of our assembling together in this Association and that our work is just beginning. God wants fruit bearers and not fruit inspectors. The barren fig tree was planted for a purpose.

Moved and sustained by a second that after the bills of this Association are paid the balance of the money will be put into the bank to draw interest. Carried.

Moved and sustained by a second that we close the business session of this Association. Carried.

Adjourned with benediction by Bro. Buck West.

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September 29, 30, October 1, 2, 1960

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Mr. Sammie Walkingstick, Moderator
Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead, Clerk

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Mr. Esiah George, Interpreter	Whittier

Associational Missionary

Mr. Boyd Horton,	Cherokee
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Davis.
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Conseen, Bro. Jim Conseen, Richard
B ushyhead and George B ushyhead.
CHEROKEE—Bro. Cain Saunooke, Richard Crowe,
Oliver Smith, Shufford Maney, Johnson
Littlejohn, Milton Smith, Sister Marie
Maney Charlotte Cabe, Stacy Saunooke
Cindy Taylor, Mr. & Mrs. Guy Hester.

ECHOT A—Bro. Lloyd Lambert, Jackson George
and Mrs. Nancy Bushyhead.

LITTLE SNOWBIRD—Bro. Noah Teesateskie, Sister
Winnie Teesateskie and Mrs.
Ruth Bushyhead.

MACEDONIA—Bro. Jarrett B. Blythe, Jack Jackson
George Burgess, Sam Jalkingstick,
Sister Mary Blythe, Vivian Burgess,
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Emaline Driver.

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Boiling Springs Baptist Church
Whittier, North Carolina.
September 29, 1961

The Cherokee Baptist Association met in their annual meeting with services beginning with singing after which the devotion was led by Bro. Jim Consen, reading John 4:1-14 and prayer.

Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead, was appointed as Clerk protom in the absence of the regular clerk. Letters from 13 churches were read and 49 messengers answered to roll call. After seating the messengers the house was declared ready for business. The election of officers was next in order with the following being elected:

Moderator.....	Bro. Sammie Walkingstick
Asst. Moderator.....	Bro. Ed Welch
Clerk.....	Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Mary B. Blythe
Historians.....	Bro. Jarrett B. Blythe
	Bro. Ben Bushyhead

The newly elected Moderator then appointed the following committees

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	Mrs. Martha B. Smith
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Finance.....	Mrs. Viola French

Obituary.....Bro. Ed Welch

In the absence of Bro. Nick Bradley, who was to bring the eleven o'clock message the time was given to Bro. J. D. Griffin, who introduced the visitors of the morning. Bro. Griffin, first introduced Bro. Boyd Horton, stating he was sent here by the Home Mission Board to work on our reservation as co-worker with Bro. Griffin, both are working here as missionaries.

Bro. Horton, spoke to us briefly on his work here. Bro. Griffin, then introduces Rev. F. Mason Hudspeth, Bro. Hudspeth gave us the following report on the George W. Truett Camp.

The George W. Truett Baptist Camp was open for six weeks this year from July 4 to August 12. It has been open for four weeks in previous years. 161 boys and girls attended in the six weeks.

16 boys and girls made professions of faith in Christ as Lord and Savior. 61 dedicated themselves to special Christian service. An offering of about \$63.00 was taken for foreign and Home Missions.

There was \$457.00, in the bank at the beginning of the season. There is \$175.00 now with all the camp bills paid. The reason for the difference in the amounts in the bank before and after the season is that equipment badly needed was purchased out of this fund.

Respectfully submitted
F. Mason Hudspeth,
Camp Manager

The few minutes remaining of the morning session was turned over to Bro. Morris, who spoke briefly on the seminary extension course he is directing under the auspices of the State Board. Bro. Morris, brought a short message on "Exalting Christ" his scripture reading Phil. 2:9-11. Lift Christ as our pleading Advocate, the Exalted Christ as the conquering King.

Bro. J. D. Griffin lead the closing prayer

of the morning session.

Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Sammie Walkingstick

Devotion led by Bro. J. D. Griffin, speaking to us of Christs birth. Encouraging us to give our lives to God. We sin against God by blaspheming against the Holy Spirit. When sinners feel the tug of the Holy Spirit and do not accept Christ after a while the tug will get fainter and fainter until we have committed the unpardonable sin. We hurt God by doing the things he would not have us do. Prayer led by Bro. Boyd Horton.

Roll call was next in order with 26 messengers present.

The W.M.U. report was given by Mrs. Viola French. W.M.U. Associational President for the coming year. Bro. Griffin gives us the plans for the coming year, this was interpreted by Bro. Esiah George.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

Road II Tim. 2:15

The aim of the Baptist Training Union is to train in Church membership. It stands to reason that this failure in the past to teach and train our new converts had left many lives wasted. They are saved from hell but lost to service because they do not know what to do.

Every new convert needs to grow in grace and knowledge. There is no better way than enrolling them in Training Union. If rightly carried out new converts will not only learn God's word, but be able to teach that work to others.

Three new Training Unions were organized in our Association this past year. (1) Big Cove (2) Wrights Creek and (3) Macedonia. With Rock Springs and the Cherokee church making a total

• of five Training Unions in our Association.

Our aim for the coming year, God willing is to organize five more new Training Unions.

Respectfully submitted
James M. Parris
Associational B. T. U. Director

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the reports. Carried.

After a lengthy discussion on the Association program, the Moderator appointed a committee of three to plan and have the programs for next year out by the 2nd Sunday in August 1961. They are Mrs. Martha B. Smith, Mr. Israel Davis, and Mr. J. D. Griffin and Sammie Walkingstick.

Motion made and sustained by a second to authorize the treasurer to write a check for \$25.00 to cover expenses for materials and maining expenses of this program.

After a song the afternoon message was brought by Bro. Esiah George, reading Acts 3:4-7 and commenting on same. He tells us there is only one way to Heaven and that is the Jesus way.

Bro. Walkingstick, comments on the same subject he says "This world can give us everything except what the soul needs. Only God can give us this satisfaction for the soul.

Minutes of the day were read and adopted unaniously.

While a song was sung the Christian fellowship handshake was given and an offering was received in the amount of \$5.55.

Closing prayer by Bro. Boyd Horton. Adjourned until 10:00 a. m. Friday morning with the Rock Springs Baptist Church

CHURCH CLERKS

Big Cove	Mrs. Delores West, Cherokee
Big Witch	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe, Cherokee
Boiling Springs	George Bushyhead, Whittier
Cherokee	Mrs. Corie Seay, Cherokee
Echota	Jacob George, Whittier
Little Snowbird	Mrs. Winnie Teesateskie, Robbinsvil
Macedonia	George Burgess, Cherokee
Piney Grove	No Report
Rock Hill	Rachel Taylor, Whittier
Rock Springs	Mrs. Savannah Bigwitch, Cherokee
Sequoyah	Mrs. Viola French, Cherokee
Straight Fork	Joe Wolfe, Cherokee
Wrights Creek	not given
Yellow Hill	Mrs. Ella West, Cherokee
Zion Hill	Mrs. Maggie Wachacha, Robbinsvill

CHURCH TREASURERS

Big Cove	Frank West, Cherokee
Big Witch	not given
Boiling Springs	Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead, Whittier
Cherokee	Mr. & Mrs. Shuford Maney, Cherokee
Echota	Jacob George, Whittier
Little Snowbird	Mrs. Winnie Teesateskie, Robbinsvil
Macedonia	William Crowe, Cherokee
Rock Hill	Miss Rachel Taylor, Whittier
Rock Springs	Mrs. Myrtle Youngbird, Cherokee
Sequoyah	James Smith, Cherokee
Straight Fork	Russell Tooni, Cherokee
Wrights Creek	Ed Welch, Cherokee
Yellow Hill	James West, Cherokee
Zion Hill	Mrs. Mollie Brown, Robbinsville

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Big Cove	Frank West, Cherokee
Cherokee	Mrs. Steve Richmond, Cherokee
Macedonia	William Crowe, Cherokee
Rock Springs	James Bradley, Cherokee
Wrights Creek	Russell Hornbuckle, Cherokee

BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENTS

Cherokee	Ralph Owle, Cherokee
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W.M.U. PRESIDENTS

Big Cove	Mrs. Delores West, Cherokee
Cherokee	Mrs. Corie Seay, Cherokee

CHURCHPASTORS AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove	James M. Parris, Cherokee
Big Witvh	Nick Bradley, Cherokee
Boiling Springs	Ben Bushyhead, Whittier
Cherokee	J.D. Griffin, Cherokee
<u>Echota</u>	<u>Esiah George, Whittier</u>
Little Snowbird	Robert Busyhead, Whittier
Macedonia	Sam Walkingstick, Cherokee
Piney Grove	(No Letter Sent)
Rock Hill	Abel Lossiah, Cherokee
<u>Rock Springs</u>	<u>Dock Smith, Cherokee</u>
Sequoyah	No Pastor
Straight Fork	Esiah George, Whittier
Wrights Creek	No Pastor
Yellow Hill	Dewitt Owle, Bryson City
Zion Hill	Abel Lossiah, Cherokee

TOTALS:

* Y.W.A., G.A., & Sunbeams Enrolment given in !

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS:

Big Cove	Wilbur Sequoyah, Cherokee
Big Witch	Not given
Boiling Springs	George Bushyhead, Whittier
Cherokee	Roy Browning, Cherokee
Echota	Loyd Lambert, Bryson City
Little Snowbird	Noah Teesateskie, Robbinsville
Macedonia	James (Red) Bradley, Cherokee
Piney Grove	No Report

Church Members	Sunday School Members	VBS Members	Training Union Members	Brotherhood Members	W.M.U. Members	Local Expendi- tures	Mission Expendi- tures	Total Expendi- tures
64	79	55	62	-	18	\$ 1,189	\$ 71	\$ 1,260
Statistical Report Given)								
29	45	65	-	-	-	253	10	463
343	155	96	72	30	47	9,072	1,641	10,713
60	42	29	-	-	-	170	-	170
24	24	84	-	-	-	205	8	213
154	76	74	44	-	-	1,177	32	1,209
68	-	-	-	-	-	98	-	98
-	120	82	48	-	-	819	-	819
57	16	-	-	-	-	-	10	10
9	50	-	-	-	-	280	-	280
101	68	-	40	-	-	1,007	89	1,096
155	106	-	-	-	-	1,953	172	2,025
54	55	-	-	-	-	33	-	33
836	584	266	30	65		\$16,258	\$ 2,033	\$18,291
Total. R.A. Enrolment given in Brotherhood Total.								

Rock Hill	Not given
Rock Springs	Charles Craig, Cherokee
Quoyah	James Smith, Cherokee
Straight Fork	David Swaney, Cherokee
Rights Creek	Russell Hornbuckle, Cherokee
Yellow Hill	Israel Davis, Cherokee
Lon Hill	Sam Brown, Robbinsville

Rock Springs Baptist Church
Jackson County, N. C.
September 30, 1960

The Association met according to adjournment and after a song service led by Bro. James Parris, prayer was led by Bro Tarquette Wallace.

The morning devotion was led by Mrs. Martha B. Smith, reading John 1:1-10 and in her comments she encouraged us to be in fellowship with God, so we can be in fellowship with one another.

Roll call was next in order with 23 messengers present.

Bro. Buck West, was appointed as Moderator protem in the absence of the Moderator. The Obituary report was given by Mrs. Margaret Davis.

Ordained Ministers

Deweese Bradley.....	Cherokee
Nick Bradley.....	Cherokee
Ben Bushyhead.....	Whittier
Robert Bushyhead.....	Whittier
J. D. Griffin.....	Cherokee
Goliath George.....	Cherokee
Esiash George.....	Whittier
Clifford Hornbuckle.....	Cherokee
Ike Jackson.....	Robbinsville
Dewitt Owl.....	Bryson City
James M. Parris.....	Cherokee
Dock A. Smith.....	Cherokee
Sammie Walkingstick.....	Cherokee
Johnny Walkingstick.....	Cherokee

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Clydia Ensley

By a unanimous vote 15 names of the ordained ministers were accepted and four declined.

After a song service the 11:00 o'clock message was brought by James Parris, reading for his scripture reading Eph. 4:1-6 and in his comments he tells us as God's preachers, we are also called to our secular jobs. He tells us there are many imitations and also there are many counterfeit Christians. In verse 5-6 he showed us the articles of the believers faith, one Lord, one Faith, and one baptism, he tells us this would be a good motto for our churches. As from the very beginning of the Old Testament, all things point to the Lord Jesus Christ. We come to know the Lord Jesus thru the saving faith, by putting our faith in the shed blood of Christ. There is only one way to the Lord and that is thru faith. Baptism does not save anyone but believing in Him. The ordinance of Baptism are for those who are saved. Baptism is a picture that comes to our minds of the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord.

Closing prayer led by Bro. James Parris. The Moderator asked the interpreter to briefly interpret the message. While a song was sung an offering was received. \$45.

The morning session was closed with prayer by Bro. Isreal Davis. Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

Devotion was led by Bro. James Bradley, reading Romans 8:5-13 and prayer led by Bro. Esiah George.

Roll call was next in order with 24 messengers present for the afternoon session.

While a song was sung a love offering was received for Bro. Goliath George in the amount of \$8.68.

Bro. J. D. Griffin, relinquished him time for the Denominational report to Bro. Nana Starnes of Asheville. He reads from Rev. 12:10-11 and comments from this text.

The 10th verse is speaking of deceivers being overthrown. Evil will be overthrown and good will rule. There ~~will~~ are three truths which are— 1. Deceivers will be overthrown 2 By the blood of the Lamb, 3 By Christians word of testimony. He says Christians raises doubt as to their Christianity by their unwillingness to testify for Christ. He said the Baptists are more faithful in their faith than any other denomination. He reminds us the symbol of the cross is sacrifice. We must sacrifice ourselves to show others we are Christians.

An oral report on Denominational work was given by Bro. J. D. Griffin.

American Bible Society Report (Read John 5:39)

The Bible is the Book for Everyone" that is much more than a slogan. It is the deep conviction of your American Bible Society

(1) If the people of the world are to know Jesus Christ, the one hope of men and nations, they must have the Bible. (2) Each person must have the Bible in his own language because it speaks to his heart as no other language can speak.

The Bible society distributed at home and abroad, a grand total of 17,650,917 volumes during the year.

Our own people are in debt to the Society for having the scriptures in their own language

the New Testament, parts of the Old Testament, were printed by the American Bible Society. Our Hymn Book was published by the American Baptist Publication Society.

Each church in the Association should take an offering this year for the Bible Society.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Parris

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The committee finds the Sunday School is normal, but it needs to arouse more and push; Every Officer of the Sunday School needs encouragement from the Pastors.

The committee finds that there is a slight increase in our Sunday School attendance for the entire Association.

The committee believes that the reason for the few saved in our Association this past year is the neglect to teach Christ in our Sunday Schools by truly born again teachers of God. The Sunday School is not a separate work or body but it is the foundation or seed bed prepared by the teachers in our churches for the sowing of the precious seed of God by pastors of the churches.

This foundation of Christian lives and Christian people are planted in the ground, a principle in the minds that determine the success of a man, woman, boy or girl living in God's big world full of people. God sent His son! His Son died, we were saved, let us try to get someone saved.

Prayerfully submitted
Ben Bushyhead

The reports given were unanimously adopted by the body.

Minutes of the day were read and adopted unanimously.

Closing prayer by Bro. James Smith.

Piney Grove Baptist Church
Swain County, N. C.
October 1, 1960

The morning session began with singing led by Bro. J. D. Griffin.

A motion was made to retain Bro. Buck West as Moderator protem in the absence of the Moderator.

Devotion led by Mrs. Lillian Lossiah, reading the 122 Psalm. Prayer led by Bro. James Farris.

Roll call was next in order with 23 messengers present. Letter from the Little Snowbird was read and adopted and the messengers were seated.

The question of holding the next Association at one church during the session or having it at different churches as it was this year was discussed.

The Time & Place Committee reports the next Association will be held with the Macedonia Baptist Church throughout the session, September 28, 29, 30, 1961.

Temperance Report

Abstinence enjoined, Look not thou upon the wine when it is red when it giveth his color in the cup. When it moveth itself aright, as the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder. Prov. 23:31-32

Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning that they may follow strong drinks; That continue until night till wine inflame them. Isa. 5:11 And be not drunk with wine wherein is excess. But be filled with the Spirit. Eph. 5:18 Jesus warning on and take heed to yourself lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness and cares of this life and so that day come upon you unaware. Luke 21:34

Be temperate in all things when thou settest to eat with ruler consider diligently what is before thee and put a knife to thy throat if thou be a man given to appetite. Prov. 23:1-2. If any man among you seem to be religious and bridleth not his tongue but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. James 1:26 Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Phil 4:5

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Margaret Davis

Motion made and second to accept the reports. After a song service the eleven o'clock message was brought by Bro. Robert Bushyhead, reading Ezekiel 3:17-18. His theme "The tragedy of being out of place." We lose the game of life because we are out of place. God can use us only when we find our rightful place. 1st Bringeth forth doubt. Thomas doubted because he was out of place being elsewhere. When you and I neglect church services, Sunday School and Training Union we are out of place and soon we will begin to doubt. 2nd "Bringeth forth denial" As Peter did at Jesus' trial, he followed afar off, so do we when the showdown comes. It is a temptation to deny Christ when our hand is called. 3rd "Bringeth forth delay" When Jonah was called to Ninevah by God,

he ran away and was out of place that brought forth death to those who did not hear about God because Jonah delayed. Are we letting people slip thru our fingers into hell because as Christians we delay in telling them about Christ. Let us seek the Council of God and find our rightful places so that we can be used of God and not be out of place.

While a song was sung an offering was received in the amount of \$5.79

In the few minutes that remained before lunch the subject of the Sequoyah Baptist Church was brought before the body. A motion was made and sustained by a second that our Missionary go there and study the situation and make plans to help the Sequoyah church. Carried.

An Executive Committee meeting was set to meet at the Sequoyah Baptist Church on October 14, at 7:00 p. m. to hear the Missionary's report.

Closing prayer by Bro. Noah Teesateskie.
Adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Buck West.

The devotion was led by Bro. James Smith, reading the 15th Psalm. Prayer led by Bro. Isreal Davis.

Roll call was next in order with 23 messengers present.

The Moderator called for the treasurer's report which was given by Bro. Jarrett Blythe
Association held with Little Snowbird Church.

1959 Oct. 1-2-3-4

Receipts Bro't forward.....	\$86.64
Big Cove.....	10.00
Boiling Springs.....	10.00

Big Witch.....	\$10.00
Echota.....	10.00
Little Snowbird.....	5.00
Macedonia.....	10.00
Cherokee.....	10.00
Piney Grove.....	10.00
Rock Springs.....	10.00
Rock Hill.....	10.00
Sequoyah.....	10.00
Wrights Creek.....	10.00
Yellow Hill.....	10.00
Straightfork.....	10.00
Zion Hill.....	10.00
	<u>\$231.64</u>
Oct. 1, offering.....	3.81
" 2 "	6.38
" 3 "	2.55
	<u>244.38</u>
Expenditures.....	205.00
	<u>39.38</u>

There was no Associational Missionary's report

Finance Report September 29, 30, 1960

12 churches.....	\$120.00
Sept 29 offering.....	5.55
" 30 "	4.45
Love Offering for G. George.....	8.68
Oct. 1 offering.....	5.79
	<u>154.47</u>
Less Love Offering	8.68
	<u>148.79</u>

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Viola French

\$145.79 (correct figures)

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the reports as given. Carried.

It being time for the business part of the meeting, old business was called for. A motion was made to pay the Clerk \$10.00 for her services. Carried.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to authorize the treasurer to pay all past obligations. Carried.

By a unanimous vote Roy Browning, was retained as Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

Since there was more business to be transacted it was voted unanimously to continue with it and discontinue the two o'clock services.

By a motion and second it was voted unanimously to retain Bro. James M. Parris as Associational Training Union Director for the coming year.

Motion made and seconded to retain Bro. Ralph Owl, as Associational Brotherhood President for the coming year.

Mrs. J. D. Griffin was elected as Associational W.M.U. President for the coming year.

It was voted that the Association appropriate money to print our own minutes and have them out not later than the first day of the Association and the Moderator have the authority to appoint a committee for this work. Bro. Jarrett Rlythe and two others of Bro. Jarrett's choosing, subject to the approval of the body. Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead and Bro. James Parris were chosen. They were approved by the body.

Minutes of the day were read and approved.

A motion was made and sustained by a second to adjourn the business part of the meeting. Carried.

Closing prayer by Bro. Robert Bushyhead,

OUR BELOVED DEAD

BIG COVE:

Mrs. Lucinda Welch Salerno

BOILING SPRINGS:

Rev. Bird Wade, Minister
Mr. Allen Wahneeta, Deacon

CHEROKEE:

Mrs. Rachel Reagan
Mrs. Salley Browning

ECHOTA:

Mrs. Annie George
Mrs. Jane Will
Mrs. Ollie Walters
Mrs. Satcey Welch

LITTLE SNOWBIRD:

Rev. Dewitt Chickalee

MACEDONIA:

Mr. David Larch
Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Littlejohn

ROCK HILL:

Mrs. Minde Reed
Mr. Deweese Reed

ROCK SPRINGS:

Mrs. Charlotte Bigmeat

SEQUOYAH:

Mr. George R. French
Mr. Robert Horse Waldrop

STRAIGHT FORK:

Mrs. Nannie Driver



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Eighty-First Annual Session

OF THE

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ASSOCIATION

OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

HELD WITH

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Cherokee, North Carolina

September 28, 29, 30, 1961

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZED 1881

REV. SAM WALKINGSTICK, MODERATOR

MRS. VIOLA FRENCH, CLERK

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Next Session Will Be Held With Rock Hill Baptist Church

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Sam Walkingstick, Moderator..... Cherokee, N. C.
Bro. Ed Welch, Ass't. Moderator..... Cherokee, N. C.
Sister Viola French, Clerk..... Cherokee, N. C.
Sister Mary Blythe, Treasurer..... Cherokee, N. C.
Bro. Esiah George, Interpreter..... Whittier, N. C.
Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Historian..... Cherokee, N. C.
Bro. Ben Bushyhead, Historian..... Whittier, N. C.
Bro. Ike Jackson, Assn. Missionary, Robbinsville, N. C.
Bro. J. Boyd Horton, Association Field Worker,
Telephone KY 7-2385...Box 188..... Cherokee, N. C.

COMMITTEES

Executive Committee: Pastor & Layman from each church
Time & Place: Bro. J.D. Griffin & Bro. Jarrett
Blythe

Denomination: Bro. Ben Bushyhead

Temperance: Sister Margaret Davis

Sunday School: Sister Naomi Sneed

Ordained Ministers: Bro. James M. Parris

Finance: Sister Stacey Saunocke

Obituary: Sister Winifred Shell

Missions Committee: Bro. Bill Crowe

Bro. J. D. Griffin

Bro. Joe Bradley

Bro. Jim Bradley

Bro. Dock Smith

MESSENGERS

Big Cove: Bro. James Parris, Bro. Buck West,
Bro. Eli Wolfe, Sister Susie West,
Sister Katie Davis

Big Witch: Rev. Nick Bradley, Rev. Sam Walkingstick,
Bro. John A. Crowe, Sister Clara
Jean Huskey

Boiling Springs: Bro. James Conseen
Bro. Ben Bushyhead
Sister Caroline Conseen
Bro. Robert Bushyhead

Cherokee: Sister Stacy Saunooke, Sister Naomi
Sneed, Sister Bessie Browning, Sister
Ruth Smith, Sister Cindy Taylor, Rev.
J. D. Griffin

Echota: Bro. Lloyd Lambert, Bro. Jackson George,
Bro. Jesse Taylor

Little Snowbird: Rev. G. George, Bro. Noah
Teesateskie, Sister Annie Brown

Macedonia: Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Sister Mary Blythe,
Bro. Jack Jackson, Bro. Jesse Teleskie,
Bro. Bill Crowe, Sister Tollie Horn-
buckle, Sister Emmaline Cucumber

Piney Grove: Rev. G. George, Sister Bessie George,
Bro. Boyd Shell, Sister Agnes Lossiah,
Sister Lillian Lossiah, Sister Mary
Shell

Rock Hill: Rev. Esiah George

Rock Springs: Bro. James Bradley, Bro. Loyd Johnson,
Bro. James Welch, Bro. John Maney,
Bro. Rob Bigmeat

Sequoyah: Bro. James Smith, Sister Winifred Shell,
Sister Viola French

Straight Fork: Bro. Joe Wolfe, Bro. John Lossiah,
Sis. Molly Sequoyah, Bro. David
Swayney

Yellow Hill: Rev. Dewitt Owle, Sis. Margaret Davis,
Bro. Jim West, Sis. Dahney Owle,
Sis. Ella West

Wrights Creek: Bro. Jake Maney, Bro Ed. Welch,
Sis. Ollie Smith

Zion Hill: Bro. Ross Smoker, Rev. Ike Jackson

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seat with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association, but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all Committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a.m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p.m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

- ARTICLE I.** This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.
- ARTICLE II.** The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.
- ARTICLE III.** This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meetings are over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute this Association shall be members of the body.
- ARTICLE IV.** The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment, also a statement of funds raised for the pastor's salary, incidental expenses, and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.
- ARTICLE V.** The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionaries.
- ARTICLE VI.** It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance

of the Constitution; preserve decorum, appoint committees; decide all questions; give his opinion concerning the subject in discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purpose collected.

ARTICLE VIII. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received, the Moderator shall extend her the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE IX. The annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE X. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes are to be in to the Clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association. If possible, after adjournment.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionaries.
5. Appoint Committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Time and Place, Obituary and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear report of Committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Call for Treasurer's report.
10. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
11. Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS

The Eighty-first Annual Session
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Macedonia Baptist Church
Sept. 28, 1961

The Cherokee Baptist Association met in their annual meeting with services beginning with singing, after which the devotion was led by Sister Mary Blythe, reading Psalm 46. Prayer by Rev. J. D. Griffin.

Sister Viola French was appointed protem clerk in the absence of the clerk.

Letters from 15 churches were read and 46 messengers answered to roll call. After seating the messengers the house was declared ready for business.

The election of officers was next in order with the following being elected:

Moderator.....	Bro. Sam Walkingstick
Asst. Moderator....	Bro. Ed Welch
Clerk.....	Sister Viola French
Treasurer.....	Sister Mary Blythe
Historians.....	Bro. Jarrett Blythe
	Bro. Ben Bushyhead
Asso. Field Work...	Bro. J. Boyd Horton
Asso. Missionary...	Bro. Ike Jackson

The Moderator then appointed the following Committee:

Time and Place..	J. D. Griffin, Jarrett Blythe
Denomination Report..	Bro. Ben Bushyhead
Temperance....	Sister Margaret Davis
Sunday School Report..	Sister Naomi Sneed
Ordained Ministers...	Bro. James M. Parris
Finance...	Sister Stacy Saunooke
Obituary Report ...	Sister Winifred Shell
Arrangement...	Rev. G. George
Program Committee..	Sister Cindy Taylor, R. v.
	J.D. Griffin, Rev. Dewitt Owle

11:00 Doctrinal Sermon: Rev. Sam Walkingstick
Theme: Matthew 28: 19-20. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and the Holy Ghost, Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. Mark 16: 15-16-18: Jesus chose the best and choice of the multitude, men who are not afraid. Jesus expected the best of the men, telling them to testify. They were commissioned by Him. They were to preach to the rich and poor. God is willing to speak to us, who are willing to hear. God was mission minded. Ezekiel 2:1 And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee. Go and tell the, thus sayeth the Lord, stand on your feet. Regardless of what people say, tho briars and thorns be in your way, God is seeking men who are not afraid. The tongues of men will bite and sting. Let us quit drifting. There is no fellowship in the churches. Let us be mission minded.

Song at close of sermon. Closing prayer by Bro. J. Boyd Horton. Adjourned for lunch.

1:00 P. M. the afternoon began with singing, led by Bro. Noah Cucumber. Devotion led by Bro. James Bradley. He spoke on the Great Commission. Luke 24: 15-20, 47-48.

Roll call was next in order, with 45 present. The W.M.U. report was given by Mrs. J. D. Griffin, W.M.U. Associational President for the past year. The President for the coming year is Mrs. J. Boyd Horton. The report was explained by charts of each organization. Motion made and accepted. Carried.

Training Union Report: Rev. James Parris. It is the responsibility of churches to teach and train converts through training union. To make disciples of all nations. Made move to adopt report.

Sunday School Report: In the absence of Bro. Roy Browning, Mrs. Roy Browning gave the report.

Move the report be adopted. Carried.

Baptist Hospital will be on Friday.

Seminary Extension Report: Rev. Alton Morris was absent, due to illness.

State Missions: Rev. W. B. Jackson, Luke 4:16-20.

A program of preaching, teaching, healing. That program left for every follower to carry on our heritage. Our background is Missions. The New Testament stood for missions, and sharing Jesus Christ wherever we go. We need to enlist men and do what God calls us to do. There are 7 Baptist schools. We ask our Baptist Churches to support our Baptist Schools through the Cooperative Program. We believe in Christian Education.

Minutes of the day were read and adopted unanimously.

An offering was received in the amount of \$5.62.

Closing prayer by Rev. J. D. Griffin. Adjourned until 10:00 Friday Morning.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1961

The Cherokee Baptist Association met in the second day of their annual meeting with services beginning with singing led by Rev. G. George, after which devotion was led by Sister Margaret Davis. Reading Matthew 28:16, speaking on the Great Commission. We have a duty and work to perform, not to older people, but the young people. Have we done all we can? Prayer by Sister Naomi Sneed.

Roll was next in order with 34 messengers present. Obituary Report was given by Sis. Winifred Shell, with the congregation singing one verse of Amazing Grace. Her scripture was found in John 14:1-3. Report adopted.

Ordained Ministers Report: Rev. James Parris. His reading was found in Matthew 9:35-38. Luke 6:12-13. A song was sung and offering taken, in the

amount of \$6.31.

Sermon: Rev. J. D. Griffin. He asked that the song "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" be sung. Then he introduced Rev. & Mrs. W. K. McKee. Rev. McKee will speak later. The theme found in Matthew 23: 19-20. He read Isaiah Chapt. 54, second verse. He calls out attention to (1) Thy (2) Tent (3) Enlarged. My first business is to serve the Lord Jesus Christ. I believe there is a message for us; for God's people; for the church. A promise of a brighter and happier day ahead, for those who serve Christ first of all. Enlarge thy place of tent. It is our church that he has saved us - we are a member. Because God the Holy Spirit has led us there to do the will of God. I ask you brethren if you are in the church and working. We should be thoughtful of our children. We should win to the Lord Jesus. The hope of the Reservation lies with our young people. The size of our tent should include all children. If we will win our Juniors. Our people are living in and out of fellowship. Winter time in fellowship - in the Spring out of fellowship. Some people are just interested in going to church. Win children - train them and teach them the word of God. We have a program, the Associational Missions. God so loved the world and people that He sent His Son. If we can join together, we can win many. It is time to join hands; to get on our knees; to work together. God's way is the way of love. Let not your heart be troubled, "I will come again."

Song: Hand of fellowship given. Prayer by Bro. Ben Bushyhead. Adjourned for lunch.

1:00 - Song service led by Rev. G. George
Scripture reading and prayer - Sis. Viola French.
reading found in Mark 16: 14-17.

Roll Call - 32 present.

Denomination Report: Bro Ben Bushyhead
Report accepted.

Rev. W. K. McKee; John 15: 1

American Bible Society Report - Bro. J. Boyd
Horton

Interpreter: Bro. Esiah George

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt reports. Carried.

Arrangement Committee: To be taken up on Saturday business session.

Brotherhood Report: Cancelled

Testimony Time: First one to testify was Rev. J. D. Griffin, Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Bro. Jack Jackson, and Bro. Ed. Welch.

Reading of minutes: Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt reports. Carried.

Closing prayer: Sister Eva Griffin.

Adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1961

10:00 The Cherokee Baptist Association met in their Annual Meeting. Service Beginning with singing after which the Devotion was led by Bro. Esiah George reading Mark 16:15. The same scripture was read in English and prayer led by Bro. Bill Crowe.

Roll call was next in order with 31 messengers present.

Time and Place: The next Association will meet at Rock Hill.

Temperance Report: By Sister Margaret Davis, reading a scripture found in 2 Peter 1:4-11.

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the report. Carried.

Moderator appointed: Sister Stacey Saunooke, Sis. Winifred Shell, Bro. Buck West and Bro. Jarrett Blythe to be on the Budget Committee.

Motion made that the Moderator of this Association pick a committee to gather the history of our Association and its work from the time it started until now. To put in book form. Motion carried. The 5 selected were Bro. James Parris, Bro. Boyd Horton, Rev. Esiah George, George Wolfe and Dock Smith.

Sermon: In the absence of Bro. Joe Bradley, who was to bring the 11:00 message, the time was given to Bro. Dock Smith. Scripture found in Ephesians, Chapt. 2. We are not saved by good works. If we are truly born again and have faith, then we will produce good works...

There is no one perfect, only a child, a baby..It is our nature to drift away from God. God left the great work to his children to spread the gospel. God the Holy Spirit needs us at the church, to carry on His work. God the Holy Spirit is a real thing that can bring the lost and dying to life. There are people who are holding onto God. They need to turn it all over to Him, then our pews wouldn't be empty on Sunday. Acts 1:8 He spoke these words before he ascended back to be with the Father. "Ye Shall Be Witnesses Unto Me in Jerusalem." We need to witness in our home; then to our neighbor. When we become mission minded, then the lost and dying would be more concerned. We backslide when we fail to attend church - John 5:1-7, Luke 10:30-37.

While a song was sung the Christian fellowship handshake was given and an offering was received in the amount of \$7.55.

Closing prayer was by Bro. J. Boyd Horton.

Adjourned for lunch.

1:00 The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Noah Cucumber.

Devotion led by Bro. David Swayney; commenting on the theme Matthew 28=19-20 "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son; and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

Prayer by Bro. David Swayney.

Roll call was next in order with 28 messengers present.

Finance Report - Sister Stacey Saunooke.

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt report. Carried.

Treasurer Report - Sister Mary Blythe. Motion made to adopt report. Carried.

Association Mission Report..Bro. J. Boyd Horton. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the report. carried.

Business Session: Motion made and seconded to retain Bro. Ralph Owle as Associational Brotherhood President for the coming year. Motion made and seconded to retain Bro. Roy Browning as Sunday School Supt. for the coming year. By a motion and second it was voted unanimously to retain Bro. James Parris as Associational Training Union Director for the coming year.

Minutes of the day were read and approved and a motion was made and sustained by a second to adjourn the business part of the meeting. Carried.

CHURCH

Baptisms

Church
MembersSunday School
MembersVacation Bible
School

CHURCH	Baptisms	Church Members	Sunday School Members	Vacation Bible School
Big Cove	6	65	83	62
Bigwitch	0	33	34	0
Boiling Springs	6	37	48	0
Cherokee	8	327	141	132
Echota	7	65	53	0
Little Snowbird	0	19	16	0
Macedonia	5	135	114	78
Piney Grove	0	60	40	0
Rock Hill	0	69	0	0
Rock Springs	5	225	120	66
Sequoyah	0	57	16	0
Straight Fork	1	116	60	73
Wrights Creek	2	77	48	45
Yellow Hill	6	159	106	60
Zion Hill	4	68	25	0
TOTALS	56	1,512	904	516

Brotherhood	W.M.U.	Local Expenditures	Denomination Expenditures	Total Expenditures
12	18	\$1,952	\$ 40	\$ 1,992
0	0	705	44	749
0	0	192	35	127
32	61	8,783	1,862	10,645
0	0	318	0	318
0	0	50	30	80
0	0	3,076	7	3,083
0	0	111	0	111
0	0	30	0	30
0	0	1,803	2	1,812
0	0	95	40	135
0	0	362	29	391
0	0	653	89	742
0	0	2,574	143	3,017
0	0	86	0	86
44	79	2,069	2,328	23,018

Closing Prayer .. led by Sis. Margaret Davis.

TEMPERANCE

We find in 2 Peter, we take 4 verses, and as Christians we find the great and precious promises, that by these we might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

Give all diligence; add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience, and to patience Godliness; and to Godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind and cannot see afar off and has forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. Brethren give diligence to make your calling and election sure, for if ye do these things ye shall never fall. For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

James M. Parris.....	Cherokee
Robert Bushyhead.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
J. D. Griffin.....	Box 7 Cherokee
Ben Bushyhead.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
G. George.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Sam Walkingstick.....	Cherokee
Abel Lossiah.....	Cherokee
Dock Smith.....	Cherokee
Robert Blanton.....	Sylva
Esiah George.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Johnny Walkingstick	Cherokee
Dewitt Owle.....	Rt.1 Bryson City
Ike Jackson.....	Rt. 1 Robbinsville

DENOMINATIONAL

During the Associational year of 1961 our churches have made extremely good in many places. There have been some places we are proud of the things we have done, by improvements, the churches are paid off.

We are very happy that the State and the Home Mission Board are joining together to help our Reservation. We welcome them to our Association, and pray God's blessings on their work.

Our greatest place for concern should be in the small number of baptisms. We all know our giving of money is important; however, lost souls should be the first concern of our churches. Jesus said in John 15:1 "Every branch in him that bearest not fruit he taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit he purgeth it that it may bring forth more fruit." As a Denomination we must remember the words in Romans 10: 14-15. "How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed, and how shall they believe in him whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

Prayerfully submitted
Rev. Ben Bushyhead

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

What it is:

The American Bible Society has as its single, simple purpose to encourage wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment and without purpose of profit to every man on earth in whatever language he may require.

It is the sole American national and international Society organized for this purpose. Founded in 1816, it is one of the oldest missionary societies in America.

Throughout its long years of service members of many Christian churches have united in its activities. More than 55 denominations are represented on its Advisory Council. Its work in the United States and overseas serves hundres of missionary societies and national church bodies.

Its Present, Vice-Presidents, and the principal part of its Board of Managers are lay men and women.

WHAT IT DOES:

The American Bible Society's supreme concern is to get the Bible into the hands of those who do not have it and to do so in a manner to secure serious interest and a receptive mind. Its principal processes are four:

TRANSLATION: The Society constantly aids translators by counsel, supervision and contributions toward expenses. Little known languages such as Miskito (spoken by 25,000 people along the coast of Central America) and well-known languages like Arabic and Chinese owe their scriptures to such service. Translation projects are going on almost continuously on every continent and the islands of the seas.

PUBLICATION: Long experience together with skillful and constant supervision results in the publication of readable, durable scriptures at low cost. In a recent year printing orders reached almost 16 million volumes of Gospels, Testaments and Bibles. Centers of publication include: The British Isles, Istanbul, Beirut, Cairo, Leopoldville, Bangkok, Hongkong, Manila, as well as the United States.

DISTRIBUTION: Through the Society's own stall and dedicated colporteurs, hundreds of thousands of scriptures are distributed worldwide. Many more go out through Christian workers, missionaries, pastors and evangelists. Such work is made possible for many of these by small allowances from the Society toward expenses. There are hundreds of volunteer helpers. Many thousands of copies of scripture are carefully given away without charge where conditions warrant. In addition numerous thousands are sold at subsidized prices low enough to be afforded by interested people. In America, English gospels may be had for 3¢, New Testaments for 15¢, Bibles for 75¢. In 125 years of service to the blind, the Society has distributed over three-quarters of a million volumes of embossed scriptures in more than 40 different languages and systems. Volumes that cost from \$4.00 to \$8.00 to produce are provided to the blind at 25¢ each.

PROMOTION OF BIBLE USE: Because an unused Bible is of no value the Society considers that it must encourage the use of the Scriptures. It seeks to accomplish this purpose through: the Annual World-Wide Bible Reading Program, observance of Universal Bible Sunday; preparation and distribution of leaflets, reading schedules, films, filmstrips and other materials; the cultivation of Bible Committees in denominations and local churches; and contacts with theological seminaries.

**REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES
1961**

The Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina is a Christian agency providing love and care for more than 800 deserving boys and girls annually. These are dependent and neglected children who, for some reason, have found it necessary to live away from their homes.

Your child care ministry is child centered, Christ centered and church centered. It is based on the redemptive plan of God. These children have lost their parents through a number of ways, Workers use all the skills available, plus the help of God, to establish in these children trust in adults, trust in self and trust in God.

Boys and girls live at Mills Home, Kennedy Home, and Odum Home. One hundred-twenty-five children live in Christian Foster Homes throughout the State. Some mothers who have lost husband and father receive financial grants in the home which enables them to keep and care for their own children. Well trained case workers are spending an increasing amount of time working with and strengthening families.

It became necessary during the past year to reduce the number of children in Foster Home Care by 35 boys and girls. At one time we were caring for 162 children in Foster Homes. We now have 127. This trend can be changed only as we have additional income. Many types of service to children in need are being delayed for lack of money.

Our financial support for this year has come from the following sources:

Thanksgiving Offering	33 %
Cooperative Program	32 %
Once a Month Offering	18 %
Special Gifts and Endowment	17 %

Members of the Board of Trustees, members of the staff and our boys and girls wish to thank you for your generous support. You have given these children love, food, clothing, shelter, schooling, medical care, recreation, guidance, music and hundreds of other benefits.

One-third of our support comes at Thanksgiving time. The Thanksgiving offering goal for 1961 is

\$400,000.00 Help this to become a reality!

You may stay informed about the child care program throughout the year by reading *Charity and Children*. This newspaper is published each week by the Baptist Children's Homes. It is now in its 75th year and circulation is higher than ever before, well over 52,000. Every family in every church should receive this Christian newspaper.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Jesus said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world".

Lets notice how Jesus emphasized teach, and teaching, in the Great Commission to his disciples. Jesus wanted his disciples to be teachers of the gospel. He wanted his churches to be teaching churches. The word "teach" is used many, many times in the Bible. Jesus promises to be with the church to the end of the world, if it would teach the people to observe all things He had commanded. We need to improve our Sunday Schools that they may teach more efficiently the Bible. We believe every church should have more study courses each year.

During next year why not have a Sunday School Revival with all the churches participating? As we all know, your churches grow and improve, as they ought to, a great deal of the work must be done through the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy A. Browning

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Boiling Springs:	Mrs. Stacey Owle Mrs. Edna Mae Ivey
Echota:	Mrs. Bettie Squirrel
Macedonia:	Mrs. Cordelia Jackson
Piney Grove:	Bro. Jesse Lossiah Jonah Feather
Rock Springs:	Mr. Jeff Littlejohn Mr. Simon Wilnoty
Sequoyah:	Bro. Thomas Lossiah
Straight Fork:	Mrs. Lizzie Tooni
Yellow Hill:	Mr. Melvin Hill
Zion Hill:	Sarah Smoker

ASSOCIATION MISSIONS REPORT

J. Boyd Horton

Last year-September 15, 1960-Mrs. Horton and I came to Cherokee to join Rev. & Mrs. J. D. Griffin as General Missionaries, having been commissioned as such by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at its annual conference week at Ridgecrest in August 1960. At your Associational meeting last year at Boiling Springs you elected me as your Association Missionary upon the motion by Bro. James Bradley and second by Bro. Israel Davis. On Jan. 1, 1961, I became also an employee of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, because at that time through an agreement between the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Home Mission Board the support of all Missions work in North Carolina hitherto supported completely by the Home Mission Board, became a joint project of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Home Mission Board.

It has been an exciting year for Mrs. Horton and me. We have learned many things new to us. We have learned that the Cherokees are an honorable people with a rich spiritual heritage, with a keen sense of humor and great capacity for friendliness; with a characteristic of infinite patience, and endowed with intelligence and ability. You possess a sense of history and a desire to have a worthy place in the future. We have had our conviction strengthened that human souls stripped of all the exterior elements-such as physical, social, and cultural differences and standing naked before God, are identical in their spiritual needs. All stand as sinners in God's sight, needing to repent and seek his forgiveness! Cherokees are tainted just like everyone else by the blight of sin, all need to be cleansed by the shed blood of Jesus Christ. We all belong to the human race!

At an executive meeting at Sequoyah you dir-

ected that the Association Officers work with the Missionary to plan an Association Calendar of Activities. That was done. A plan of work was outlined and a plan of monthly meetings arranged for Monday nights after the third Sunday in each month; with programs alternating among the Brotherhood and the Woman's Missionary Union-1st. month in quarter, Sunday School second month in quarter, and Training Union third month in quarter. This has been followed to some extent. We have allowed weather, conflictive meetings, or revivals in some of the churches to interfere. The Training Union has followed through most consistently in having meetings. Brotherhood and W.M.U. have so few organizations outside of the Cherokee church, that an Association meeting has almost been a meeting of the local organizations. The Sunday School fell victim on one occasion and combined its last meeting time with an Association Leadership Training - planning meeting. In 1962 we can use these meetings to great good in promoting Kingdom work in the churches of the Association. Each church should so plan its work that the people be free to participate in the teaching and training as well as in the inspiration and fellowship of Association meetings.

Some Statistics:

1. Days on the field - all days - no vacation.
2. Miles traveled - driven car more than 22,000 miles.
3. United every church except 1 - Zion Hill. Spoke, taught or did some work in 13.
4. Sermons and addresses: 67
5. Prayer meetings conducted - 12.
6. Ordination Services attended - 3.
7. Schools of Missions - 3
8. Persons contacted individually in promotion work - 131.
9. With group or committees - 49.
10. Vacation Bible Schools worked in - 6.
11. Weeks of work outside Association - 9.

- b. State-wide V.B.S. Clinic - Fruitland 1 week.
 - c. Regional Sunday School Conventions in South Carolina 1 week.
 - d. Sunday School enlargement campaign in South Carolina 1 week.
 - e. Training College Students - G.W. College 2 weeks.
 - f. Study course - First Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina 1 week.
12. Arranged W.M.U. Study Course, Gastonia, N. C., 12 churches - 220 people.
 13. Purchased office equipment - over \$1,600.00 worth given to the Association by State W.M.U. available to all churches.
 14. Wrote and mailed more than 2,000 letters and postcards. Helped get together the Associational minutes for 2 years - 1959-1960.
 15. Attended the following meetings:
 1. Association Missionary Workshop - Concord, North Carolina.
 2. State Baptist Convention - Asheville, N. C.
 3. General Board Meeting - Raleigh, N. C.
 4. Western North Carolina Pastors Conference - Waynesville, N. C. (2 times).
 5. State U.B.S. Clinic - Fruitland, N. C.
 6. Regional R. A. Conference - Franklin, N. C.
 7. Regional Conference on Brotherhood Work and Ministers Retirement - Franklin, N. C.
 8. Attended conference on North Carolina Baptist Children's Homes - Asheville, N. C.
 9. Conducted Association Training Union; Officers Training; Planning Clinics. Tennessee River at Bryson City, N. C. Macon at Franklin, N. C. Haywood at Waynesville, N. C.
 10. Association Missionaries Annual Conferences. Caswell (1 week).

What ought we to look forward to?

1. God's approval on our efforts.
2. Better planned and promoted program of Association Missions in 1962 calendar year.
3. A monthly newsletter or bulletin to Baptist families.
4. Work to enlist and train complete roster of Association Officers for Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, W.M.U. and Music Organizations.
5. Work to have regular Pastor's Conferences.
6. Have more Study Courses in Churches.
7. Give more for Pastor's salaries and missions.
8. Seek to enlist more young people into programs of teaching and training in our churches.
9. Seek to win more lost people to Christ.
10. Pray for God to thrust out Laborers from among us to work in our field so ripe with harvest.

Long Range Baptist:

1. Association Center
2. Association Kindergarten to beat Catholics to our children.
3. An Association Assembly where we can teach, train and transform.
4. Compile and preserve a history of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association.

What is Association Missions?

1. It is a program-not a person or personality.
2. It is a program developed by a Baptist Association to meet its particular needs.
3. It is a fellowship of Christians striving to go into all the world by going into the world in their own Association.

Thank you for your prayers, your concern, and your cooperation.

PASTORS

Big Cove..Rev. James M. Parris.....	Cherokee
Big Witch..Rev. Joe Bradley.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Boiling Springs..Rev. Deweese Bradley. Rt. 1	Cherokee
Cherokee..Rev. J. D. Griffin.....	Cherokee
Echota..Rev. Ben Bushyhead.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Little Snowbird..Rev. G. George.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Macedonia..Rev. Sam Walkingstick.....	Cherokee
Piney Grove..Rev. G. George.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Rock Springs..Rev. Dock Smith.....	Cherokee
Rock Hill..Rev. Abe Lorde.....	Cherokee
Sequoyah..Rev. Robert Blanton.....	Syiva
Straight Fork..Rev. Edish George.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Wrights Creek..Rev. Johnny Walkingstick...	Cherokee
Yellow Hill..Rev. Dewitt Oule.....	Rt. 1 Bynon City
Zion Hill..Rev. Ike Jackson.....	Rt. 1 Robbinsville

CLERKS

Big Cove..Mrs. Dolores West.....	Cherokee
Big Witch..Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe.....	Cherokee
Boiling Springs..George Bushyhead....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Cherokee..Mrs. Carrie Sacy.....	Cherokee
Echota..Jacob George.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Little Snowbird..Winnie Tazateshia..Rt. 1	Robbinsville
Macedonia..Mrs. Emma Bradley.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Piney Grove..Mrs. Lillian Lossiah.....	Cherokee
Rock Hill..Mrs. Rachel Taylor.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Rock Springs..Savannah Digwitch.....	Cherokee
Sequoyah..Mrs. Viola French.....	Cherokee
Straight Fork..Joe Wolfe.....	Cherokee
Wrights Creek..Mrs. Anna Mae Hornbuckle..Rt. 1	Cherokee
Yellow Hill..Mrs. Ella West.....	Cherokee
Zion Hill..Mrs. Maggie Wachacha..Rt. 1	Robbinsville

BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENTS

Cherokee..Steve Richmond.....	Cherokee
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W.M.U. PRESIDENTS

Big Cove..Mrs. Katie Davis.....	Cherokee
Cherokee..Mrs. Beulah Tahquette.....	Cherokee

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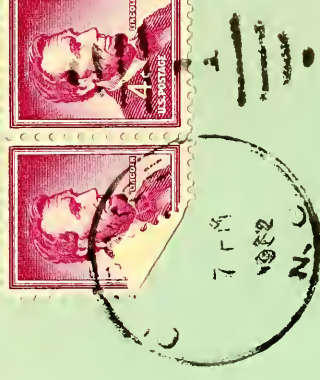
Big Cove..	Frank R. West.....	Cherokee
Big Witch..	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe.....	Cherokee
Boiling Springs..	Mrs. Carolina Conseen,Rt.1	Whittier
Cherokee..	Mr. & Mrs. Shuford Maney.....	Cherokee
Echota..	Jacob George.....	Rt.1 Whittier
Little Snowbird..	Winnie Teesateskie Rt.1	Robbinsville
Macedonia ..	William H. Crowe.....	Cherokee
Piney Grove..	Boyd Shell.....	Cherokee
Rock Hill..	Mrs. Rachel Taylor.....	Rt. 1 Whittier
Rock Springs..	Mrs. Myrtle Youngbird.....	Cherokee
Sequoyah..	James Smith.....	Box 19 Cherokee
Straight Fork..	Russell Tooni.....	Cherokee
Wrights Creek..	Clifford Hornbuckle....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Yellow Hill..	James R. West.....	Cherokee'

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Big Cove..	Buck West.....	Cherokee
Big Witch..	John A. Crowe.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Boiling Springs..	Richard Bushyhead... Rt. 1	Whittier
Cherokee..	Roy A. Browning.....	Bryson City
Echota..	Lloyd Lambert.....	Rt. 1 Bryson City
Little Snowbird..	Noah Teesateskie.. Rt. 1	Robbinsville
Macedonia...	Jack Jackson.....	Whittier
Piney Grove...	Goliath George.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Rock Hill...	Rev. Nick Bradley.....	Cherokee
Rock Springs..	John A. Tahquette.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Sequoyah...	James Smith.....	Box 19 Cherokee
Straight Fork...	Richard Maney.....	Cherokee
Wrights Creek...	Ed Welch.....	Rt. 1 Cherokee
Yellow Hill...	Arch Miller.....	Cherokee
Zion Hill...	Raymond Jackson.....	Rt. 1 Robbinsville

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Big Cove...	Junior West.....	Cherokee
Cherokee...	Mrs. Ruth Littlejohn.....	Cherokee
Macedonia...	Mr. Walter S. Jackson.....	Cherokee
Rock Springs...	Charles Craig.....	Cherokee
Wrights Creek...	Russell Hornbuckle.....	Cherokee



Mr. James M. Nicholson
Director of Baptist Collection
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Winston-Salem, N.C.

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ROCK HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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October 4, 5, 6, 1962

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Next Session Will Be Held With Big Cove Baptist Church
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Rock Hill Baptist Church
Swain County, North Carolina

October 4, 5, 6, 1963

Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Organized 1881

Mr. Buck West, Moderator
Mrs. Viola French, Clerk

Next Session will be held with the Big Cove
Baptist Church, October 3, 4, 5, 1963

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Buck West, Moderator.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Bro. Ed Welch, Ass't. Moderator.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Sister Viola French, Clerk.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Sister Mary Blythe, Treasurer.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Bro. Esiah George, Interpreter.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Historian.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Bro. Ben Bushyhead, Historian.....Whittier, N.C.
 Bro. Ike Jackson, Ass't. Missionary-Robbinsville, N.C.
 Bro. J. Boyd Horton.....Association Field Worker.
 Tel. HY 7-2385....Box 336.....Cherokee, N.C.
 Residence Telephone #6721.....Bryson City, N.C.

COMMITTEES

Executive Committees: Pastor & Layman from each church.

Time & Place: Bro. Israel Davis; Sister Katie Davis;
 Bro. Ben Bushyhead

Denomination: Rev. E. F. Baker

Temperance: Jarrett Blythe

Sunday School: Roy Browning

Ordained Ministers: Rev. Nick Bradley

Finance: Jack Jackson

Obituary: Viola French

Missions Committee:

MESSENGERS

Big Cove: James M. Parris, Susie West, Katie Davis,
 Lizzie Wolfe, Jane Squirrel, Buck West.

Big Witch: Rev. Nick Bradley, Anne Bradley, Glen J.
 Bradley, Edith Bradley.

Boiling Springs: Ruth Bushyhead, Caroline Conseen,
Robert Bushyhead, Jim Conseen.

Cherokee: Nan Smith, Oliver Smith, J. Boyd Horton,
Bro. Baker, Naomi Sneed

Echota: Lloyd Lambert, Jackson George

Little Snowbird: Noah Teesateskie

Macedonia: Jarrett Blythe, Mary Blythe, Jack Jackson,
Jess Teleskie, Sam Walkingstick.

Piney Grove: G. George, Bessie George, Lucinda
Catolster, Lillian Lossie, Sallie
Teesateskie.

Rock Hill: Esiah George, Rachel Taylor.

Rock Springs: James Welch, John A. Tahquette, Jesse
Maney, Claudia Seay.

Straight Fork: John Lossie

Wrights Creek: Ed Welch, James Walkingstick, Katie
Welch.

Yellow Hill: Israel Davis, Charlotte Hornbuckle,
Ella West, Cora Wahnetah.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.

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5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
 6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
 7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
 8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 a.m. (EST) and close at 3:00 p.m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 11. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE 111. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute this Association shall be members of the body.

ARTICLE 1V. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment; also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary; incidental expenses; and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.

ARTICLE V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian and Missionaries.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum; appoint committees; decide all questions; give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when call upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all proceeding of each annual session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purposes collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and if received the Moderator shall extend her the right of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The Annual session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officer on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association, if possible before adjournment.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionary.
5. Appoint committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained Ministers, Denomination, Arrangement, Time & Place, Obituary and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear report of committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for treasurers report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS

The Eighty-Second Annual Session
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Rock Hill Baptist Church
Route 1, Cherokee, N.C.
October 4, 1962

Thursday, Oct. 4, 1962

I Theme: Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and into the uttermost part of the Earth.

10:00 A.M. Song Service Bro. Jim Conseen-Leader

10:15 Scripture Reading and Prayer Bro. Boyd Horton
Prayer by Rev. E. F. Boher

Reading of letters and seating messengers, moved and sustained that we adopt letters and seat messengers-carried.

C. Gordon Moddrey from the North Carolina Baptist Foundation--of the Ahoshie Baptist Church speaking on some a short message by Tom McGraw of Gardner Webb of Boiling Springs.

The Following officers were elected;

Moderator.....	Bro. Buck West
Assistant Mod.....	Bro. Ed Welch
Clerk.....	Sister Viola French
Treasurer.....	Sister Mary Blythe
Interpreter.....	Bro. Esiah George
Historians.....	Bro. Jarrett Blythe
	Bro. Ben Bushyhead
Assistant Missionary.	Bro. Ike Jackson
Asso. Field Worker...	Bro. J. Boyd Horton
Time and Place.....	Bro. Israel Davis
	Sister Kate Davis
	Bro. G. George
Denomination.....	Bro. E. F. Boher
Temperance.....	Bro. Jarrett Blythe
Sunday School.....	Bro. Roy Browning
Ordained Ministers...	Bro. Nick Bradley
Finance.....	Bro. Jack Jackson
Obituary Report.....	Sister Viola French
Song Service.....	Bro. G. George

11:00 Doctrinal Sermon: Bro. J. M. Parris, reading found in 11 Timothy Chap 2: Verse 10. Faith come by hearing found in Romans The word elect means chosen-Romans 8:33 The Faith of Gods elect Acts 13;48 - Many asware ordained and believed Romans 9:11 Read at leisure these scriptures. 11 Thessolonious Ephesious 1:4;5 Blessed be the Lord Jesus a matter of Grace that men, women and children are chosen of God, we were chosen before the foundation of the world. Without every exception man is a sinner John 15:15 Whoscever will are the elect of God. Chosing prayer Bro. J. M. Parris. Song and offering. \$7.54

1:00 Song Service Bro. J.M. Parris. Scripture
Bro. Dewitt Owle - Keeping in mind the Theme Acts
1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy
Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto
me, both in Jerusalem, and in all part of the earth.
Reading also found in Romans 12:1 and speaking on
same.

Prayer by Bro. Nick Bradley.

Roll Call: Reading of 2 letters moved and sustained
to adopt letters as read and seat messengers carried.

W.M.U. Report: Mrs. Martha Smith Training Union
report 11 Timothy 2:15 J. M. Parris.

Sunday School Report: No report presented.

Baptist Hospital Report: Mrs. Emily Walkingstick
Also a report by Mrs. Viola French commenting on
recent trip and Hospitality of Christian people.
Talk also by Bro. E. F. Boher speaking on same.
Moved that we accept reports as given-carried.

Seminary Extension Report: Bro. Roy Smith.

State Missions: Rev. Joe Stroud speaking. Director
of music in Western North Carolina, next year in Sept.
will be a week of music in the Cherokee Association
stating three books are necessary in music:

1. The Bible
2. Hymn Book
3. Pocket Book

Theme: We are Laborers together with God "a
Commandment six days shall thou labor work", of
Christian workers are:

1. Worship
2. Proclamation
3. Ministry

I Corinthians 3:9 text "we are Laborers together with God" God needs us--we have his presence and his power.

Moved and sustained that we adopt minutes as read-

Carried. Song "Bless Be the Tie That Binds"

Adjourn

Friday October 5, 1962

10:00 Song Service-Bro. G. George. Scripture Sister Nan Smith reading found in Matt: 5:13-14 and 15.

Mark 16:14-16. Speaking on witnessing and our place in life. Prayer Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

Roll Call:

Obituary Report:..... Sister Viola French
Ordained Ministers:..... Bro. Nick Bradley

Moved that Bro. Nick Bradley be liberated to speak a few minutes to the body. Motion 2nd-Carried. Speaking on preachers, Deacons and lay members, who need to repent, and witness an Jerusalem. Move made to give Bro. Roy Smith 14 minutes to give Seminary Extension report. Move made that we adopt Ordained Ministers and Seminary Extension report - Carried. Song and offering \$10.40.

11:00 Sermon - Bro. Johnny Walkingstick, scripture found in Rev. 19:9 and he saith unto me Right blessed are they which are called unto the lamb. And he saith These are the true sayings of God. Matt:22:2 The Kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain King, which made a marriage for his son. Our churches need to be Mission minded Rev. 19:7-8 Testimonies by Bro. J. M. Parris, Bro. Ed Welch and Bro. Esiah George. A song-Prayer by Bro. Roy Smith.

1:00 Song Service-Cherokee language led by Bro. J.M. Parris. Scripture reading by Esiah George found in Acts 3:1-8 Peter curath a lame man, and Prayer.

Roll Call.

Denomination Report:..... Bro. E. F. Baker

Luke 24:45-48 Then opened he their understanding that they might understand the scriptures.

American Bible Society Report:... Bro. J. Boyd Horton

Brotherhood Report..... Bro. Oliver Smith

Timiothy 2:2 we have helped through the

1. Sunday School
2. W. M. U.
3. Brotherhood

Prayer - Bro. Oliver Smith.

Moved that we adopt Denomination report American Bible Society Report and Brotherhood Report - Carried.
Moved that we have all reports written and incorporated in the minutes - Carried.

Testimony Time led by Bro. Esiah George and Oliver Smith. Moved that we approve and adopt minutes as read - Carried. Adjourn.

Saturday October 6, 1962

10:00 Song Service led by Bro. J. M. Parris.

Scripture Sister Ella West reading found in Acts: 1:8 still reminding us not to forget our Theme: But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you. And ye shall be witnessess unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth: Reading also found in Romans 10:10 speaking on same. Prayer by Bro. J. Boyd Horton

Roll Call: 22 Present

Time and Place Report: Big Cove Baptist Church
Temperance Report:..... Bro. Jarrett Blythe
Committee:..... Bro. J. M. Parris
Bro. Jarrett Blythe
Bro. G. George

Moved that a Committee of 3 be elected to draw up a resolution on the temperance question and presented to the business part of the association.

All in favor of Bro. J. M. Parris making his Historian report- by the raising of the right hand. Carried.
Moved that we adopt Historian report - Carried.
Song and offering - \$9.00.

11:00 Sermon - Bro. G. George. As messengers for God - we should be busy for God. Reading found in Acts 1:8 The Text - were going to talk about Power. How are we using it? Song in the Cherokee language. "The years are swiftly passing by." Then Prayer, Bro. G. George the Theme; still reminding us but ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you. And ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. Also reading found in Matt: 28:16 speaking on same in Cherokee language. Are we mission minded? Closing prayer. A song - Adjourn for lunch.

1:00 Song Service: Scripture Reading - Bro. Ben Bushyhead speaking on Theme in Acts 1:8 Prayer by Bro. J. M. Parris.

Roll Call:

Finance Report:..... Bro. Jack Jackson
Asso. Missions Report.... Bro. J. Boyd Horton

Moved that we hear Bro. Ike Jackson report as Assistant Missionary Report - Carried.

Treasurers Report..... Mrs. Mary Blythe

STATISTICAL SUMMARY CHEROKEE INDIAN BAPTIST

Church	Baptisms	Church Members	Sunday School Members	Vacation Bible School	Trained Union Members
Big Cove	3	67	94	48	0
Bigwitch	1	56	43	0	0
Boiling Springs	0	31	45	0	0
Cherokee	8	329	141	104	55
Echoata	0	60	(Information not rep		
Little Snowbird	0	20	30	0	0
Macedonia	5	82	94	54	31
Piney Grove	1	52	67	0	0
Rock Hill	0	49	(Information not giv		
Rock Springs	0	225	75	94	45
Sequoyah	0	20	(No report given - 0		
Straight Fork	0	9	32	55	0
Wrights Creek	5	96	57	0	50
Yellow Hill	1	157	94	79	0
Zion Hill	0	53	(No report given to		
TOTALS	24	1,311	866	301	181

Treasurer's Report (July 1, 1961 through June 30, 1962)

Receipts: Gifts from 14 churches @ \$10.00 each..... \$
Special Collection at Association.....
Total Receipts \$
Amount Brought Forward (Balance in Bank)....
Total on Hand

Total Receipts and Balance Brought Forward \$ 4
Total Expenditures
Balance Carried Forward \$ 1

Moved that accept reports as read - Carried.

Bro. J. M. Parris read the 5 resolutions for Temperance - Moved that resolutions be adopted - Carried.

Motion made that we approve the Budget recommendations made by Bro. Jarrett Blythe - Carried.

Business Session

Motion that association go ahead and plan for a associational revival, and grant the Executive Committee to arrange the time, place, preacher, etc. Carried.

Moved and sustained by a second that we adopt minutes as read - Carried. Adjourn

REPORTS

Report of Woman's Missionary Union

The purpose of the Associational Woman's Missionary Union is to promote Christian Missions in the various churches through a program of Mission Study, Prayer Community Missions, and Stewardship.

The Cherokee Indian Baptist Association is composed of Seventeen Missionary Baptist churches, only two of which have missionary societies.

Big Cove Baptist church has a Woman's Missionary Society with eight faithful members. They meet monthly, studying Baptist mission work as related in their missionary magazine; Royal Service. The ladies of Big Cove Baptist Church observed the weeks of special study and prayer for Foreign and Home Missions. Their offering for Foreign Missions through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering amounted to \$40.00. Their offering for Home Missions through the Annie Armstrong offering amounted to \$30.00 They visit the sick and help the needy in their community.

A good number of ladies of the Cherokee Indian Association attended the overnight Leadership school at Fruitland. Some attended the State Convention in Asheville.

On April 30, 1962, the Associational W.M.U. held its annual meeting at the Cherokee Baptist Church. The missionary message was brought by Miss Laura Frances Snow, Missionary to Chile. Miss Willa Dean Freeman, State G.A. Director, was present and brought a message on the Co-operative Program. At that meeting it was announced that the Intermediate and Junior Girl's Auxilliary of the Cherokee Baptist Church had received Honor Recognition for the work they had done. The following Associational W.M.U. Officers were elected:

President	Mrs. Boyd Horton
Vice President	Mrs. Dock Smith
Secretary and Treasurer	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe
Prayer Chairman	Mrs. Nan Smith
Community Missions Chairman	Mrs. Jake Maney
Stewardship Chairman	Mrs. Ella West
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Steve Richmond
Jubilee Chairman	Mrs. Dolores West
Y.W.A. Director	Mrs. Ralph Owle
G. A. Director	
Sunbeam Director	Mrs. Stacy Saunooke

Respectfully submitted by;

Mrs. Boyd Horton, President

and read by;

Mrs. Dock Smith, Vice Pres.

N. C. BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The N. C. Baptist Hospital is located in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. It is one of the important medical centers for treatment, training and research in the Southeast. It was organized in 1922 with a primary purpose to serve the sick from all over N. C. Patients from our Reservation have been treated here.

It is the teaching hospital for the Bowman Grey School of Medicine. The Bowman Grey School joins it therefore, both benefit from their close relationship.

Approximately 17,000 bed patients are admitted annually on the basis of preliminary examination by the patients personal Doctor, and the availability of beds.

Pastors receive free care thru the clinic. Specialists for all types of disease are found here.

Visitation program is practically the same as found in local areas. It maintains one of the most excellent children's department.

The hospital first educational program was its Paramedical schools, whose student body now number some 700 young men and women.

Our Mother's Day Fund is once a year offering thru which N. C. Baptists contribute to provide for treatment and care of the needy sick at Baptist Hospital. Are you not happy we can have a small part in the most worthy cause.

Another source of contribution comes thru the "Co-operative Program. A Program many of our people of the Reservation do not understand. The annual appropriation under the co-operative Program often leads to a misconception by many of our fellow Baptist as

Respectfully submitted by;
Mrs. Emily Walkingstick

Yellow Hill:	Mr. Owen Wolfe
Bigwitch:	Mrs. Mollie Crowe
Big Cove:	Mrs. Amanda Walkingstick
Rock Hill:	Mrs. Nora Taylor
Rock Springs:	Mrs. Rachel Harris Mr. John Conley
Cherokee:	Mr. George Davis

Deweese Bradley.....	Cherokee
Nick Bradley.....	Cherokee
Glenn Joe Bradley.....	Cherokee
Ben Bushyhead.....	Whittier
Robert Bushyhead.....	Whittier
Hobert Chambers.....	Canton
Goliath George.....	Cherokee
Esiah George.....	Whittier
Clifford Hornbuckle.....	Cherokee
Ike Jackson.....	Rt. 1 Robbinsville
Abel Lossiah.....	Cherokee
Dewitt Owl.....	Bryson City
Solomon C. Owen.....	Cherokee

James M. Parris.....	Cherokee
Rock A. Smith.....	Cherokee
Shepard Squirrel.....	Cherokee
Sam Walkingstick.....	Cherokee
Johnny Walkingstick.....	Cherokee
J. F. Baker.....	

Respectfully submitted;
Bro. Nick Bradley

DENOMINATION REPORT

Our denomination is often misunderstood. We are called a peculiar people; and we may appear so because we are so individualistic. We feel that the individual is competent to believe and interpret the scriptures, however, it places responsibility right where it belongs upon the individual.

We, Missionary Baptist in N. C. separated from our primitive brothers because of our conviction. Concerning and educated ministry and the propagation of the Gospel through a continued missionary effort. At the time of the division 1830, there was a total membership of 25,000 - 10,000 remained with the Primitive group. Today the missionary Baptists have increased to over 900,000 while the Primitives have increased to less than 10,000.

The Missionaries, or Southern Baptists, have great material wealth in schools, hospitals, homes for dependent children and the aged. Office buildings, printing establishments and local church property.

We have a great message that declares God's love for all men and his plan whereby all men may be saved. We call it the Holy Bible.

We have a great company of witnesses; Pastors, teachers, Doctors, nurses, on special assignments, and every faithful believer in daily contacts.

We have a great organization, headed not by official bosses but by leaders whom we have placed in places of leadership. Through this organization we are all permitted to work at the world wide task of evangelizing teaching healing and ministering to human needs of all sorts wherever found.

That gives a great opportunity to enter open doors with an open Bible to proclaim the open truth to open ears. We are a great denomination with a great task, laboring under a great Master.

Respectfully submitted;
Bro. E. F. Baker

REPORT OF AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The Holy Bible--the Old and New Testaments in one volume--is the Book of books of the King of Kings, and the foundation of our Christian faith. It has influenced the hearts and minds of men for almost two thousand years. It is God's revelation to man. The Bible is invaluable for family worship, Bible students missionaries, and for Christians growing in their faith.

The Old and New Testaments, as separate volumes, provide a useful and convenient division of God's work for the new believer not yet ready to read the entire Bible and for Christians who wish to study or pursue devotional reading while traveling or in circumstances where special interests and the weight and size of a book are important....and in personal evangelism. A Testament may well lead to a fuller reading of the Holy Bible.

Founded in 1816, the American Bible Society is one of the oldest and most truly interdenominational missionary organizations in American. More than 55 denominations are represented on the Society's Advisory Council. Its work are in the United States

and overseas serves hundreds of missionary and church bodies. The principal areas of activity are:

TRANSLATION. The Society constantly aids translators by counsel, supervision and contributions toward expenses. Translation projects are going on continuously on every continent and the islands of the seas. All or part of the Bible has now been published in 1181 languages and dialects.

PUBLICATION. In 1961, printing orders reached more than 33 million volumes of Bibles. Testaments and Portions--in many languages and styles of bindings. Centers of publication include the British Isles, Latin America, the Near East and Far East, as well as the United States.

DISTRIBUTION. Millions of Scripture volumes are distributed each year (24,183,024 in 308 languages and dialects in 1961) through the Society's Agencies and colporteurs. Many more go out through Christian workers, missionaries, pastors, evangelists and other volunteer helpers.

ENCOURAGEMENT OF BIBLE READING. The Society annually sponsors a Worldwide Bible Reading Program from Thanksgiving to Christmas, including the observance of Universal Bible Sunday; prepares and distributes leaflets, reading schedules and much other informative and educational printed matter; plus audio-visual materials. Television and radio are used to reach millions of people. The Bible Book Club is also designed to encourage the habitual daily reading of the Scriptures and to assist pastors and churches to reach the Bibleless ones within the sound of their voice.

SERVICE TO THE BLIND. Since 1835 the Society has supplied embossed Scriptures to the blind in 42 languages and in many finger-reading systems. The Society also supplies the entire Bible on Talking Book Records for those who cannot read with their fingers. These records are also available to the

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RESOLUTIONS

- Resolve: That we will not use intoxicating drinks or allow them in our homes so far as possible.
- Resolve: That we will use our influence against the sale of strong drinks within the bounds of our Association.
- Resolve: That we will support our law enforcement officers in stopping the sale of said strong drink.
- Resolve: That if necessary we will use our influence and vote at the polls to put out of public officials that will not uphold the law in this matter.
- Resolve: That by God's grace we will seek the Salvation of those who are slaves to Satan's strong drink.

J.M. Parris, Chairman

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

During the Associational year 1961-1962, I visited eleven Churches. Held Revival in five churches. Visited six other churches and still didn't visit three churches. All churches had Pastors but two churches didn't have a pastor. All had Sunday school. During the Revival forty one Redications. Seven Souls saved by the Grace of God. Ivisited one hundred eighty-five homes. Mileage three thousand six hundred eighty-five miles. My traveling expense was one hundred thirty dollars and thirty eight cents. I received free will offering from different Churches. Sixty-five dollars and eighty-five cents. But I see in our Association we need some pastors and preachers.

Associational Missionary
Rev. Ike Jackson

FINANCE REPORT

October 4, 5, 6, - 1962	
13 Churches @ \$10.00	\$130.00
October 4, offering	7.54
October 5, offering	10.40
October 6, offering	9.03
	<u>\$156.97</u>

Respectfully submitted
Jack B. Jackson

ASSOCIATION FIELD WORKER'S REPORT

The past year has witnessed some progress and improvements in our work here in the Cherokee Baptist Association. For any degree of advancement we give God the praise and glory. It is our prayer that in the days ahead we may see more interest and effort on the part of the churches and people here on the Reservation and establish better relations and areas of service between the people of the Cherokee Baptist Association and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, to the end that a more aggressive and effective Baptist Witness can be developed and maintained.

One development of interest was the resignation of Rev. J.D. Griffin as Mission Pastor of the Cherokee Baptist Church. Up to the end of the Association year no successor has been secured in his place. It appears that there has been an increase in giving among the churches. Perhaps this reflects two developments: (1. a rise in the income of Baptist people and (2) an increased response on the part of the Baptist people to their stewardship responsibilities. We would be greatly encouraged to know that more of our people are tithing their income for the support of God's Kingdom here. The Seminary Extension Center was continued with interest and attendance remaining at an encouraging level. Reported Baptisms

were discouragingly low in comparison to previous years. Our Sunday Schools seem to be holding their membership at about the level of recent years. There were losses in Training Union and Vacation Bible School enrollments. These indicate that we have much work to do to continue to progress in our teaching and training ministries of the churches. The monthly Association meetings were attended with some degree of regularity. However, it seems that this type of meetings does not exactly fit into the pattern of work as wished by the people here. Considerable interest is manifested in the possibility of establishing in our Baptist Association of some sort of child care program for the children whose mothers find it necessary to work. We hope to work on this project and hope for favorable results.

During the year the Association Field Worker has attended the usual conferences, conventions, and meetings expected of him by the Home Mission Board, the Baptist State Convention, and the Cherokee Baptist Association. Let us all join our hearts and prayers that the work of all the Baptist Churches on the Reservation will be strengthened and that their witness here might be more fruitful as we all let the Holy Spirit guide us during the up-coming year.

Respectfully submitted:
J. Boyd Horton

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Eighty-Third Annual Session

Of The

**CHEROKEE
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OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

Held With

BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH

CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

October 3, 4, 5, 1963

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZED 1881

MR. JACK JACKSON, Moderator

MRS. RUTH BUSHYHEAD, Clerk

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**Next Session Will Be Held With Water Falls Baptist Church
on October 1, 2, 3, 1964.**

ESIAH GEORGE — A TRIBUTE — February 25, 1963

By J. Boyd Horton

“Esiah went home today at one”,
Ella had called from Council House to say.
Earlier in the morning Esiah had told Dan Squirrel,
“This is the day”! And so it was.

Esiah's long walk had brought him to the end of his way.
His wearied body had trudged its last mile.
His great heart, so warm and full of faith and hope and love,
was stilled.
Today, at one, Esiah went home to be with God.

Esiah had said, “I never recollected my Pa. My Ma died when I
was three”.
And so this orphaned one was left in a hostile world
With no home nor hearth with warmth in which to live,
’Til one day Cindy's people found him half-frozen in the woodpile
Took him home, saved his life, and gave him raising.
Esiah roved the Smoky Hills and lived with many
But longest with old man Conteeskee and his woman down in
Birdtown.
While staying here, God told Esiah to preach!

Esiah spoke Indian.
English he learned to speak after he was grown.
Though to read and write it he never bothered.
“Brother Boyd”, he had confided, “you must learn Indian
if you want to understand my sermons.
The Lord told me to preach in Indian to the Indians”.
So Esiah always preached in Cherokee.

As languaged in Cherokee the sweet story of Jesus
Is beautiful and moves the listener to tears.
Esiah's eyes were often dripping wells
As he “Indianed” the Gospel Story over and over
Week by Week
Month by Month
Year by Year
To the Cherokees.
Many Believed!

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CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

held with

BIG COVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Route - 1

CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

October 3, 4, & 5, 1963

NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

WATERFALLS BAPTIST CHURCH

October 1, 2, & 3, 1964

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Jack Jackson, Moderator Cherokee, N. C.
Bro. Ike Jackson, Ass't. Moderator, Robbinsville, N.C.
Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Clerk, Whittier, N.C.
Sister Mary Blythe, Treasurer, Cherokee, N.C.
Bro. Ike Jackson, Interpreter, Robbinsville, N.C.
Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Historian, Cherokee, N.C.
Bro. Ben Bushyhead, Historian, Whittier, N.C.
Bro. Robert Bushyhead, Missionary, Whittier, N.C.
Bro. J. Boyd Horton, Field Worker, ... Cherokee, N.C.

COMMITTEES

Executive Committee: Pastor and one layman from each Church.

Home and Place: Bro. Israel Davis, Sister Arnessa Ney, and Bro. Buck West.

Nomination: Bro. J. Boyd Horton

Temperance: Bro. Ike Jackson

Sunday School, Bro. Jarrett Blythe

Ordained Ministers: Bro. Robert Bushyhead

Finance: Bro. Ed Welch

Sanctuary: Sister Katie Davis

MESSENGERS

Big Cove: Bro. James Parris, Sister Mattie Davis,
Sister Susie West.

Mill Springs: Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Sister
Carolina Conseen, Bro. Robert
Bushyhead.

Cherokee: Bro. Larry Bryson, Mrs. Cindy Taylor,
Mrs. J. Boyd Horton, Bro. Dillard Maney.

Echota: Bro. Loyd Lambert, Bro. Willard Lambert,
Sister Lucy Wallace, Bro. Tahoute Wallace.

Little Snowbird: Bro. Noah Teesateskie, Bro. Ike
Jackson.

Macedonia: Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Bro. Jack Jackson,
Bro. Noah Cucumber, Bro. James Riley,
Sister Mary Blythe, Sister Minda Reed,
Sister Sallie Hornbuckle, Sister Sally
Jackson, Sister Emmaline Cucumber, Bro.
Emoch Owle.

Piney Grove: Brother Goliath George, Sister Bessie
George, Sister Lillian Lossiah.

Rock Springs: Bro. John Maney, Bro. James G. Welch,
Bro. Dock A. Smith, (Sat.) Sister
Claudia Seay, (Sat.) Sister Cecelia
Taylor, (Sat.) Bro. John A. Takquette.

Straight Fork: Bro. George Driver, Bro. Henry Calhoun.

Waterfalls: Bro. Ed Welch, Bro. Bewwese Bradley,
Sister Geneva Walkingstick, Sister
Luzene Thompson.

Wrights Creek: Bro. John Smith.

Zion Hill: Bro. Ross Smoker, Bro. Ike Jackson.

Yellow Hill: Bro. Jonah Teesateskie, Bro. Dewitte
Owle, Bro. Jim West, Sister Winnie
Shell, Sister Ella West.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 A.M. (EST) and close at 3:00 p.m. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and to accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body. All ordained ministers who are members of churches which constitute the Association shall be members of the body.

ARTICLE IV. The messengers from each church shall bear letters certifying their appointment; also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary; incidental expenses; and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten Dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so.

ARTICLE V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, and Missionaries.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliveration of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all proceedings of each Annual Session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

ARTICLE VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purposes collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and, if received, the Moderator shall extend her the right of fellowship.

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The Annual Session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct, and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

ARTICLE XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes be in to the Clerk within 30 days after the adjournment of the Association; if possible, before adjournment

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enrol messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer, and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionary.
5. Appoint Committees on Sunday School, Temperance, Ordained Ministers, Denomination, Arrangements, Time and place, Obituary, and Finance.
6. Denominational Sermon.
7. Hear Reports of Committees.
8. Provide for printing of minutes.
9. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
10. Call for Treasurer's report.
11. Miscellaneous business.

PROCEEDINGS

The Eighty-Third Annual Session
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
Big Cove Baptist Church
Route 1, Cherokee, N.C.
October 3, 1963

Thursday, October 3, 1963

Theme: "Our Faith is built on"

10:00 a.m. Song service led by Bro. James Parris.

Prayer by Bro. Ike Jackson.

Song in Cherokee Language.

Devotion: Romans 10:17. Bro. Buck West using the them
"Our Faith is built on..." and commenting on same.
Prayer.

Motion made and sustained by a second we hear reading
of letters from the churches. Motion Carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the
letters and seat the messengers with the exception of
Waterfalls Baptist Church. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second to receive Water-
falls Baptist Church into the Association. Motion
carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion made and sustained by a second that Jack Jack-
son be elected as Moderator. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second to elect Ike
Jackson as Assistant Moderator. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second that Ike Jack-
son be elected Interpreter. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second that Ruth Bushy
head be elected Associational Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second that Mary Blyth
be retained as Treasurer. Motion carried.

Moderator calls for the reading of two letters which
have been handed to the clerk.

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the
letters and seat the messengers with the exception of
one messenger from Wrights Creek Church. Namely:

Clifford Hornbuckle. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second that Bro. Ben
Bushyhead and Bro. Jarrett Blythe be retained as His-
torians. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second for the moderat
to appoint three members from Association to meet
with the committee of three from the Union to elect
an Associational Missionary. Motion carried. Those to
serve are: Bro Buck West, Bro. Robert Bushyhead, and
Bro. Solomon Queene.

Offering\$5.01. 7

11:15 Sermon by Bro. James Parris. His text taken from the theme "Our Faith is built on Missions".

1. The missions is to the churches. Mark 16:15

2. The message is the Gospel. 1 Cor. 15:1-4.

3. The power to preach comes from the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:8.

4. Relations of missions to coming of Christ. Matt. 24:14; Acts 15:13-18, II Peter 3: 9-15.

Prayer by Brother James Parris.

A song was sung and had fellowship handshake.

Adjourn for lunch.

1:00 P.M. Song service led by Bro. James Parris.

In the absence of Bro. Jim Smith, the devotion was led by Bro. Ike Jackson using the theme "Our Faith is built on..." reading from Matt. 21:41 and I Cor. 3:16-17 and dwelling on the 17th verse. If any man defiles the temple of God, him shall God destroy, for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are. Also leads in prayer.

Roll Call with 32 Messengers present.

The Association W.M.U. Report was given by Sister Edna C. Horton who moved to adopt this report and was given second. The motion carried.

The Sunday School Report was given by Sister Ella West in absence of Bro. Jarrott Blythe. She reports a drop in attendance this year from 866 in 1962 to 777 in 1963. The report was adopted.

Motion made and sustained by a second to unseat messengers who leave the Association meeting to go to fair and Clerk to notify the respective churches. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second for Moderator to appoint members of different Committees. Motion carried.

Seminary Extension Report given by Bro. Roy Smith. Motion to accept this report was sustained by a second. Motion carried.

Bro. Roy Smith preaches on State Missions reading Acts 1:1-8. and 2:42-47.

people.

The crying need is more space to accomodate the rise in number of Aging people in the state of North Carolina.

The plea from the elderly person in our mist, "Cast me not off in the time of old age", is one that can not be lightly brushed aside.

Rev. James Parris

Report of the American Bible Society.

"Sharing Christ with the Whole World" is the aim of theme of the Baptist Jubilee Advance. Sharing the Bible with the world is an essential part of this program of advance.

If the people of the world are to know Jesus Christ the one hope of men and nations they must have the Bible.

Each person must have the Bible in his own language because it speaks to his heart as no other language can speak.

But in most countries, people cannot afford even the cost of printing the Scriptures.

The Bible is the essential tool of missions and evangelism. The Southern Baptist Missionaries are dependent upon the Ameri Bible Society for the many Bibles they use in their work throughtout the world. Therefore each Baptist Church should gladly contribute generously to the support of the American Bible Society.

Last year Southern Baptists contributed more than any other Denomination to the Society. It would be good if each church would take at least one special offering for the American Bible Society during the year, or better still, put a generous amount in its budget to support this most worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Boyd Horton

Denomination Report - The Cooperative Program of World Missions:

The Cooperative Program is the love of God in action through a missions, educational and social service ministry. It is the hands of Christ, through you, at work healing the sick, feeding, clothing, and providing shelter for a homeless child or an older person. Through the Cooperative Program you, for Christ's sake, provide Christian Education in your schools for your young people and pay the salaries of your missionaries at home and abroad. You are witnessing to a lost world, baptizing those who are won to Christ and teaching them to do all things Christ commanded through new churches and missions around the world.

You carry out this work of Christ as you place God's tithe and your offerings in the treasury of your church. Your church decides how many cents of each collection plate dollar goes through the Cooperative Program. The treasurer of your church sends your contribution to the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh, North Carolina and there it is divided between State and Southern Convention causes according to your vote in session of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Gifts for State causes are distributed on the basis of the budget adopted by you and others voting in the Baptist State Convention. Gifts for Southern Convention causes are sent to the Executive Committee in Nashville, Tennessee, and distributed to the various causes on the basis of the budget adopted by you and others voting in the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

You worship with tithes and offerings each Lord's Day as led by an enlightened conscience and the Spirit of God. Your church is urged to adopt a budget and share through the Cooperative Program on the basis of a definite number of cents out of each dollar the church receives. In planning new budgets each year, each

Saturday, October 5, 1933

10:00 A.M. Song service led by Bro James Parris.

Devotion was led by John Alfred Tahquette reading Matt. 6:25-26...31-34 and commenting on same.

Prayer by Bro. Goliath George.

Roll Call with 31 messengers present.

Historians' Report given by Bro Ben Bushyhead. He reads Matt. 6:33 and Luke 17:20-22. Prayer by same. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Time and Place Report given by Bro. Buck West. The 1964 Annual Session of the Association to be held with the Waterfalls Baptist Church on October 1, 2, and 3.

The Temperance Report given by Bro Ike Jackson reading Proverbs 23: 31-32. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

At the 11:00 preaching time Bro. Larry Bryson relinquishes some of his time to Dr. Clark from Cherokee Indian Hospital.

Bro. Bryson's message. He reads Jude 1: 1-7.

1. Jude's message on our call to Christian faith.

2. Christians are beloved of God.

a. If you know not love, you know not God.

"For God is Love."

3. Christians are apostles, ambassadors, and representatives of God.

a. We are called to represent Jesus Christ.

b. We are called to defend the faith. Christian faith is unchangeable. It is entrusted to us to share with others.

Adjourn for lunch.

1:00 P.M. Song services led by Bro. James Parris.

Devotion by Junior West, reading Romans 6:14-18.

Prayer by Bro. Buck West.

Roll Call with 32 messengers present.

Finance Report given by Bro. Ed Welch.

Received from the churches in letters \$120.00

Received in offerings during meetings 21.33

Total in Treasury \$141.33

sociation Field Worker's Report given by Bro. J. yd Herten.

tion made and sustained by a second to adopt both nance and Field Worker's Reports. Motion carried. sociational Missionary's Report given by Bro. Ike ckson. Motion made and sustained by a second to opt this report. Motion carried.

asurer's report given by Bro. Jarrett Blythe and ks for expenditures in the amount of \$210.00 for ssionary, Officers of Association, American Bible ciety, and Home Missions. Motion made and sustained a second to accept this report and recommendations. tion carried.

tion made and sustained by a second that Bro. Robert shyhead serve as Associational Missionary.

tion made and sustained by a second to hear the ading of minutes by Clerk. Motion carried.

derator calls for special report on Temperance by o. James Parris.

tion made and sustained by a second the members of fferent committees of next year have their reports written form and hand them in to the Clerk during e Association Meeting. Motion carried.

tion made and suatained by a second to approve the nutes as read by the Clerk and adjourn. Motion rried.

osing prayer by Bro. Larry Bryson.
e meeting was adjourned.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ANNUAL REPORT

to the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
October 3, 1963
Big Cove Baptist Church

In the early hours of that first Sunday morning, after our Lord's resurrection, he appeared first to a woman named Mary Magdalene (Mark 16:9). He commissioned them Go Tell what she had witnessed. He appeared also to other women. He commissioned them to Go Tell what they had witnessed. And they went with haste; Not only did they go tell the good news of their Lord's resurrection to the eleven apostles, but Luke (24:9) states that they told it "to all the rest"

So, evers since that early Sunday morning centuries ago, when those women hastened to Go Tell the most glorios news the world has ever known, women have felt that deep abiding responsiblility and joy of sharing with "all the rest" the knowledge that Jesus rose from the dead and is alive even today; They have felth the urgency to go tell, that the peoples of all the world might know that Jesus of Nazareth is indeed the Son of God, the Saviour of the World.

During the year 1962-63, we have had in our Association three Woman's Missionary Societies: Big Cove Baptist Church with Mrs. Katie Davis serving as presedient. She along with the other faithful ladies of that church have enjoyed a most fruitful and awarding year of service for their Lord. Their special gifts for Foreign Missions at Christmas time amounted to \$69.71. Their special gift to Home Missions through the apringtime offering amounted to \$16.00. These special gifts go directly to help peoples both abroad and at home to know about God's love as expressed through the gift of his son, Jesus.

Boiling Springs Baptist Church with Mrs. Robert

Pushlead serving as president. The ladies of that church enjoyed many profitable meetings. We are proud of that society and pray that they might continue as they have started.

Cherokee Baptist Church with Mrs. Roy Browning serving as president. Mrs. Browning has led the Cherokee women in a wonderful way. Their gifts to Foreign Missions amounted to \$357.91. Their gifts to Home Missions amount to \$224.35. During the year they fostered two Sunbeam Bands and Two Girls Auxiliaries. The major Associational Wide project for the year 1962 and 1963 was the Mission Study groups. Twelve churches of the association participated in Mission Study classes. There was one class in December of Foreign Missions taught by Miss Mary Alice Fetner of Hendersonville. The class on Home Missions was taught in February by Mrs. Steve Richmond. Both classes were well attended and much information gained concerning our cooperative mission efforts both at home and abroad.

On May 2, 1963, the W. M. U. held its annual meeting at the Cherokee Baptist Church. Mrs. Emily Walkingstick made a reporta concerning the State W. M. U. meeting in Charlotte. The missionary message was brought by Mrs. Colon Godwin, Missionary to Ghana. Our meeting for 1963-1964 will be held with the Big Cove Baptist Church. The following officers were elected with the Rev. James Parris offering the prayer of dedication:

President	Mrs. Boyd Horton
Vice President	Mrs. Dock Smith
Secretary & Treasurer	Mrs. Elizabeth Crow
Prayer Chairman	Mrs. Nan Smith
Community Mission Chairman	Mrs. Jake Maney
Stewardship Chairman	Mrs. Ella West
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Steve Richmond
Jubilee Chairman	Mrs. Delores West
G. A. Director	Mrs. Lucille Beck
Sunbeam Director	Mrs. Stacey Saunooke

Respeatfully submitted by Mrs. Boyd Horton, President

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Our Sunday Schools have lost Sunday School members this past church year. In 1962 we had an enrollment of 866, this year we have reported on the letters an enrollment of 777, which is 89n less than reported in 1962. A part of the great commission is to go and teach and if we as Christians will awake from our sleep and began to go out, inviting people to come to Sunday School and when we get them have our lessons so prepared that it will be presented in such a way to our classes, they will have a disire to come back to Sunday School.

Churches reported no Sunday School and 2 churches have no letter. May we go back to our churches with a disire in our hearts to work whole heartedly for God and not be satisfied with this until we have put forth all our efforts to build up our Sunday Schools and urge our teachers to study to show themselves approved unto God rightly dividing the word of truth.

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Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ella West

~~REPORT~~

SEMINARY EXTENSION REPORT

The word of God says, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the work of truth". It is the prupose of Seminary Extension to fulfill the commissio of these words.

The Cherokee Seminary Extension Center enrolled 24 students in 1962. The group studied Old Testament III, a study of the Old Testament from the creation through the reign and life of David.

The Cherokee center was one of eleven centers in Region 10 last year. Five were Negro, five were white, and one was located on the Cherokee Reservation. Two hundred thirty three pastors and lay people were enrolled in three hundred eight courses. Last year was a good year in our work for which we humbly thank

STATISTICAL SUMMARY CHEROKEE INDIAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Church	Baptisms	Church Members	Sunday School Members	Vacation Bible School
Big Cove	7	73	104	54
Boiling Springs	0	33	28	40
Big Witch %	0	56*	43*	0
Cherokee	21	348	156	139
Echota	3	58	35	0
Little Snowbird	0	19	18	0
Macedonia	2	82*	82	64
Piney Grove	1	52	34	0
Rock Hill %	0	49*	0	0
Rock Springs	0	219	100	0
Sequoyah%	0	20*	0	0
Straight Fork	2	57	27	42
Waterfalls	8	28	54	57
Wrights Creek	0	70	46	20
Yellow Hill	2	156	63	43
Zion Hill	7	74	74	0
TOTALS:	33	1,384	864	459

Note: * Information taken from 1962 Minutes

% No letter sent to 1963 Session of Association

Church Treasurers and Addresses:

Big Cove	Buck West	Cherokee
Big Witch		
Boiling Springs	Mrs. Jim Conseen Whittier	
Cherokee	Mrs. Marie Maney	Cherokee
Echota	Jacob George	Bryson City
Macedonia	Jarrett Blythe	Cherokee
Piney Grove	Mrs. Lillian Lossiah	Cherokee
Little Snowbird	Mrs. Winnie Teesateskie	Robbinsville

REPORT - JULY 1, 1962 - JUNE 30, 1963

ning n ers	Brother- hood Members	W.M.U. Members	Local Expend- itures	Mission Expend- itures	Total Expend- itures
0		16	\$1,644	\$ 239	\$1,883
0		0	120	41	161
0		0	1,156*	36*	1,192
36		22	8,632	2,995	11,627
0		0	318	30	348
0		0	29	0	29
0		0	720	35	755
0		0	1,522	0	1,522
0		0	(No Information)		
0		0	1,778	45	1,823
0		0	(No Information)		
0		0	197	26	223
0		0	933	11	944
0		0	378	55	433
0		0	2,057	34	2,091
0		0	72	30	102
36		38	\$19,546	\$3,588	\$23,134

Rock Hill	Miss Rachel Taylor	Whittier
Rock Springs	James Bradley	Cherokee
Sequoyah	Mrs. Viola French	Cherokee
Straight Fork	Russell Tooni	Cherokee
Waterfalls	Ed Welch	Cherokee
Wrights Creek	John Walkingstick	Cherokee
Yellow Hill	Jim West	Cherokee
Zion Hill	Mrs. Elizabeth Jackson	
	Robbinsville	

God and the good people who have made this report possible.

Respectfully submitted;

Roy Smith.

Obituary Report.

Death is a door through which we enter joy,,. the joy unspeakable and full of glory, according to the Word of God. I Cor. 2:9 tells of the life beyond which God has promised to those who love him. The secret things belong unto the Lord our God; but those things which are revealed belong unto us and our children. Deut. 29:29.

There's a land that is fairer than day, and by faith we can see it afar.

I like to think of our beloved dead gone on before are now in that land full of glory.

Our beloved dead are:

Echota:

Rev. Esiah George

Wrights Creek:

Brother Fred Bigwitch

Macedonia:

Sister Sa llie Long

Zion Hill:

Sister Mollie Brown

Rock Springs:

Sister Cindy Arch

Sister Nancy Bradley

Brother Gus Ellis

Brother Ammons Tramper

Stra ight Fork:

Brother Mason Driver

Sister Nessie Watty

Brother Garrett Littlejohn

To the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Annual
Session with Big Cove Baptist Church.

As committee on ordained ministers, I do hereby
submit the following list of ordained ministers of
this association.

Rev. Deweese Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Nick Bradley, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Glenn Joe Bradley Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Larry Bryson, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Whittier, N. C.
Rev. Robert Bushyhead, Whitteir, N. C.
Rev. Hobert Chambers, Canton, N. C.,
Rev. Clifford Hornbuckle, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Goliath George, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Ike Jackson, Robbinsville, N. C.
Rev. Able Lossiah, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Arthur Locust, Bryson City, N. C.,
Rev. Dewitt Owle, Bryson City, N. C.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Dock Smith Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. James M. Parris, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Sheppard Squirrel Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Sam Walkingstick, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Johnny Walkingstick, Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Solomon Queen Cherokee, N. C.
Rev. Dock Lambert, Cherokee, N. C.

Prayerfully submitted,

Reverend Robert Bushyhead

Report on Baptist Hospital

The opportunity of serving persons created in the
image of God is a high and holy provilege.

You and I have such an opportunity in multiplied

thousands of people who are sick in body, mind and spirit, and who come to our Baptist Hospital seeking help. We reach out the hand of love and mercy through the skilled and dedicated hands of our doctors, nurses, chaplains, and many others involved in this ministry to the total person. We are grateful for this opportunity of joining hands with those who soothe the fevered brow, give the miracle drug, guide the surgeon's hand, bring the message of hope, and do the hundreds of other tasks which are necessary in the operation of our great Medical Center.

The number of those who receive the services of the Hospital this year will be greater than the population of one of our medium-sized North Carolina cities such as Goldsboro or Salisbury. Most of them will be seriously ill and referred by their family physician because they need the kind of care available only in a large medical center. They will come from all areas of our state from all walks and circumstances of life. What a privilege it is to serve these friends in need and what a challenge to our skills and our compassion!

The Mother's Day Fund, which we provide by our special offerings or by an item in our church budgets designated for the Hospital, is the means through which we make it possible for those who cannot pay to have the care they need. The \$176,000 which the Hospital receives from the Cooperative Program provided by our churches must go to help pay for buildings, purchase equipment, and support the Department of Pastoral Care.

We call attention to the Service Patient Endowment Fund of the Hospital which we may place in our wills for any amount, or contribute to at any time, and thus continue to be a part of this service of love through the years after we are gone.

We wish to thank you people for their share in this ministry and call upon them to make their support a worthy expression of their Christian Concern.

Larry Bryson

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING
January - August 1963
CHEROKEE ASSOCIATION

	1962	1963
Big Cove	--	\$10.00
Big Witch	--	--
Boiling Springs	--	--
Cherokee Mission	\$67.75	\$176.00
Echota	--	--
Little Snowbird	--	--
Macedonia	--	\$25.00
Piney Grove	--	--
Fock Hill	--	--
Fock Springs	50.00	45.08
Swanoyah Memorial	--	3.75
Straightfork	3.25	6.50
Water Falls	--	11.00
Writhts Creek	15.00	20.05
Yellow Hill	--	--
Zion Hill	--	--
Total	\$136.00	\$297.83

Report to the Association: Baptist Children Home

More children were served by the Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina than ever before in history. This was made possible by the interest, prayers, and giving of North Carolina Baptists and other friends. We are indeed grateful for every remembrance the Thanksgiving offerings, once-a-month offerings, Cooperative Program gifts, food, clothing, and other things. Without these gifts we could not provide the many services to children and families which we so.

The physical, mental, social, and spiritual growth and development of our children has been most gratifying. North Carolina Baptist have every reason to rejoice with the very fine response of these boys and girls to the Christian love and care

afforded them. Members of an already fine and capable staff continue to grow in their love for children and their ability to work effectively with them. We have been reminded for several years of a growing need for specialized services for an increasing number of children who suffer emotional illness. We are happy to report that these services are being provided with the limited number of children in a small home at Chapel Hill in cooperation with the University Medical Center. They are receiving the best professional, medical help that can be provided. We are most fortunate to have this facility. It will strengthen greatly our entire program of Child Care. We are compelled to keep our pressing needs before you. Applications for the admission of children are increasing. Relatives, pastors, friends of dependent children, departments of public welfare and others plead with the leadership of the Homes daily for help. A familiar plea is "Unless you can help this child, there is no hope for him", We are laying upon your hearts four areas of need.

1. An immediate increase in the number of children in good Christian foster homes in all areas of the state.
2. Continuous expansion and up-grading of facilities to enable the Homes to keep abreast of the best in child care.
3. An increase in financial support to undergird and strengthen the entire program.

North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging

The State Convention operates four homes for elderly people. These are located: Resthaven and Hayes Home in Winston Salem; Ablemarle Home at Ablemarle and the Hamilton Home at Hamilton. The Hamilton home was opened in 1963 and enabled the care of 30 more people.

The homes are supported by special day offerings, and through the cooperative program. Ninety percent of the residents who live in the homes are financially needy!

FRIDAY, October 4, 1963

10:00 a.m. Song service led by Bro. James Parris.

Prayer by Bro. Noah Toesatoskie.

Devotion by Moderator Jack Jackson, reading John 15: 15-16, Mark 16: 15, Luke 14:23 and in his comments stresses the fact we need dedicated Christians to work and be prepared for any job they are called to do.

Prayer by Bro. Larry Bryson.

Roll Call with 29 messengers present.

Obituary Report was given by Sister Katie Davis. Motion sustained by a second that the report be adopted. Motion carried.

Under Miscellaneous Business motion was made and sustained by a second that the minutes of Association be dedicated to the memory of Bro Esiah George and that a copy of a Tribute written by Bro. J. Boyd Horton be placed in the minutes. Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second for the Moderator to pick a committee of three to look into the cost and suggest a way to finance and find graves, place markers on the graves of old ordained ministers. The committee will notify the churches through mail. Bro. Robert Bushyhead, Chairman, Bro. James Parris, and Bro. Solomon Queens appointed. Motion carried.

11:00 Sermon by Bro. Enoch Owlo. He had four ladies with him who rendered two songs and did a beautiful job. Prayer by David Owlo.

In his comments Bro Owlo tells us "If our faith is grounded on the Lord Jesus Christ we will be able to stand against the evils of this world. If our faith is built on solid rock then our course in life will be much easier with Christ as foundation. We wouldn't be carried about with every wind and doctrine. Does He know us or will He say, "I never knew you." The Calendar does not record as to when Christ will return, but he is coming again. Will He reject us or will He know us?

A song was sung while an invitation was extended.
Altar prayer.

Bro. Larry Bryson introduces Bro L.H. Hollingsworth of Wake Forest College. Other Visitors are: Bro. Glen Ramsay and wife and friends; Bro. Bob Lamm and wife from Gardner-Webb College; and Sister Dorothy Canipe of the North Carolina Baptist Childrens Home.

Motion made and sustained by a second that the committees shorten their reports to give the visitors time on program. Motion carried.

Adjourn for lunch.

1:00 P.M. Song service led by Bro. Robert Bushyhead. Devotion by Bro. Jim Bradley using the theme "Our Faith is built....", reading from James 2:14-26 and in his comments states that "Faith without works is dead. We need to go hand in hand with both Faith and Works."

Prayer by Bro. J. Boyd Horton.

Roll Call with 28 messengers present.

Baptist Hospital Report by Bro. Larry Bryson. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Report on Homes for the Aging by Bro. James Parris. Motion made and sustained by a second that this report be adopted. Motion carried.

Report on American Bible Society by Bro J. Boyd Horton. Bro Horton also gave the report on Denomination. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt these reports. Motion carried.

Bro Robert Lamm gives a brief message on Gardner-Webb College.

While a song was sung, and offering was received, amounting to \$9.86.

Motion made and sustained by a second that the minutes as previously read be adopted. Motion carried.

A special prayer was offered in behalf of the committee on electing and Associational Missionary. Prayer led by Bro. Larry Bryson.

church is encouraged to increase the percentage of the total budget allocated for world missions through the Cooperative Program by at least two percentage points until as much is given for world missions as for local ministries.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Boyd Horton.

Report of Historians.

We, your historians, submit our report to this Association after having not done so for some time. We now take over again from 1910 to 1957 which should be compiled into a form of History or a book. We find the Association is still progressing. We have a help from the Baptist State Convention. This year we add a sister church into our Association. This new church is the Waterfalls Baptist Church in Jackson County, North Carolina. This makes 16 Missionary Baptist Churches working together in the Cherokee Association.

Now we recommend this to be done by some of our experienced men - to compose the history. This history must have all ministers pictures put in with the ledger. Further information is available.

Respectfully submitted,

Bro. Jarrett Blythe

Bro. Ben Bushyhead, Historians.

Report of Time and Place Committee

The Time and Place Committee recommends that the 84th Annual Session of the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association meet with the Waterfalls Baptist Church at the prescribed time in 1964.

Respectfully submitted,

Israel Davis, Chairman
Arnessa Maney
Buck West, Committee

Finance Report

Amount received from churches in Letters	\$120.00
Amount received in special offerings	21.33
Total amount received during 83rd session	\$141.33

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Welch

Report on Temperance

Look not upon the wine when it is red, when it give
his colour in the cup when it moveth itself aright.
At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth
like an adder. Proverbs 23:31-32. In this report
we see that strong drink wrecks our lives and robs
us of a happy future. Liquor and wine doom our soul
the spiritual and immortal part of us. Not only
strong drink is harmful but also gossiping, tale
bearing and back biting are to be avoided. Be tem-
perate in all things. Wherefore come our from among
them and be yeseperate saith the Lord and touch not
the unclean thing and I will receive you.

Respectfully submitted,

Ike Jackson.

Report of Association Field Worker

In our 1962 report to the Association we said, "It
is our prayer... that better relations and areas of
services may be established between the people of
the Cherokee Baptist Association and the Baptist
State Convention of North Carolina and the Home Mis-
sion Board, to the end that a more aggressive and

effective Baptist witness can be developed and maintained on the Reservation." We believe progress has been made in developing a better understanding of what can and should be done by the Baptist State Convention and the Home Mission Board to strengthen their assistance here. Their willingness to help pay to have a Cherokee Association Missionary and to help the churches give their pastors better pay are two evidence of this better understanding.

Another quote from last year's report is, "It appears that there has been an increase in giving among the churches." However, when the totals of the offerings reported by the churches this year, when compared with the totals reported last year, there is only a very slight increase indicating a very slow growth in the sense of stewardship on the part of the Cherokee Baptists. More emphasis in the churches on the Christian's opportunities and responsibilities for service through systematic and proportionate giving perhaps would help our Baptist people to understand and practice tithing their incomes for the support of God's Kingdom here.

Still another quote from the 1962 report is, "Considerable interest is manifested among the people here in the possibility of establishing some sort of child care program for the children whose mothers find it necessary to work. We hope to work on this project and expect favourable results." Now we were happy to report that much work which has been done on this project has resulted in the Day Care Program becoming a reality. It is expected that the Day Care Program will be the first in a diversified ministry through the Cherokee Baptist Center for the Cherokee people.

This year we report the coming of Rev. and Mrs. Larry Bryson and their children to serve among us. We are glad to have these fine people here and wish for them every success in their ministry.

The Seminary Extension Center with its major on Bible

Study is not being used by as many pastors and lay people as its splendid opportunities merit. Also at the present time there are being offered a study of Woman's Missionary Union methods taught by Mrs. Larry Bryson, and a literacy class being taught by Mr. Horton. Baptist members from all our churches would be doing themselves and the cause of Christ a favor by attending the Seminary Center and studying the Bible in these classes.

Let me include in this report a word about the collecting, preserving and publishing of the history of the Cherokee Baptists. It would be well, it seems to me, for the Historical Committee to collect and preserve all the pertinent materials available about Baptists and their work on the Cherokee Reservation. After they are collected, these documents should be stored safely and also should be microfilmed through the facilities of the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention located in Nashville, Tennessee. Each church should be encouraged to prepare a suitable history of the church. Facts about the saints of old who have made such wonderful contributions to the development of Baptist work here should be assembled. The actual writing of a history of Baptists at Cherokee should be undertaken. There are many sources of information now available which, if not gathered soon, may be forever lost and can never be used to enlighten the people of the Baptist Heritage at Cherokee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Boyd Horton

Report of Association Missionary

Due to illness I have not visited all the churches I had wished to visit and help. Neither have I been able to do all the things I should have done, due to being hindered in the work by my health. I wish to thank all of you for your cooperation and prayers during the

year, and for the privilege of serving you this year
as your Association Missionary.

Respectfully submitted,

Ike Jackson.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts:

Total brought forward	\$ 86.84
Received from churches	120.00
Special Offerings during sessions.	21.33
Total Receipts:	<u>\$228.17</u>

Budget:

For Association Missionary	\$100.00
For Association Office	30.00
For Association Minutes	30.00
For American Bible Society	25.00
For Foreign Missions	25.00
Total expenditures:	<u>\$210.00</u>

Expected Receipts:	\$228.17
Expected Expenditures	210.00
Expected total balance:	<u>\$ 18.17</u>

Respectfully submitted;

Mary Blytho.

Petition of Waterfalls Baptist Church for membership

In accordance with the provisions of the Association
Constitution article number nine (9) we the members
of Waterfalls Baptist Church of Jackson County, North
Carolina being of the same faith and order with the
churches of the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist

Association, and havinf been constituted by authority of the Big Cove Baptist Church the first Sunday of December 1962, do potition that we may be received into your fellowhhip.

Respectfully submitted,

Deweese Bradley, Pastor
Elnora Thompson, Clerk

Done in Church Conference on October 2, 1963

PASTORS AND ADDRESSES:

Big Cove	Rev. James M. Parris	Cherokee
Big Witch		
Boiling Springs	Rev. Robert Bushyhead	Whittier
Cherokee	Rev. Larry Bryson	Cherokee
Echeta	Rev. Arthur Locust	Bryson City
Little Snowbird	Rev. Ike Jackson	Robbinsville
Macedonia	Rev. Enoch Owle	Cherokee
Piney Grove	Rev. G. George	Cherokee
Rock Hill	Rev. Abel Lussiah	Cherokee
Rock Springs	Rev. Dock Smith	Cherokee
Sequeyah		
Straight Fork	Rev. Deweese Bradley	Cherokee
Waterfalls	Rev. Deweese Bradley	Cherokee
Wrights Creek	Rev. Johnny Walkingstick	Cherokee
Yellow Hill	Rev. Dewitte Owle	Bryson City
Zion Hill	Rev. Ike Jackson	Robbinsville

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS:

Cherokee	Mrs. Ruth Littlejohn	Cherokee
Rock Springs	James G. Welch	Cherokee

W.M.U. PRESIDENTS:

Big Cove	Mrs. Katie Davis	Cherokee
Cherokee	Mrs. Larry Bryson	Cherokee

DAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS:

Cove	Alfred West, Jr.	Cherokee
Witch	Johnny Crowe	Cherokee
ling Springs	Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead	Whittier
rokee	Johnny Gloyne	Cherokee
ota	Loyd Lambert	Whittier
tle Snowbird	Noah Teesateskie	Robbinsville
edonia	Jack Jackson	Whittier
ey Grove	G. George	Cherokee
k Hill	Mark Junaluska	Whittier
k Springs	John A. Tahquette	Cherokee
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erfalls	Ed Welch	Cherokee
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n Hill	Joe Genseen	Robbinsville

ARCH CLERKS:

Cove	Mrs. Katie Davis	Cherokee
Witch	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe	Cherokee
ling Springs	Mrs. Ruth Bushyhead	Whittier
rokee	Mrs. Carie Seay	Cherokee
ota	Jacob George	Whittier
tle Snowbird	Mrs. Winnie Teesateskie	Robbinsville
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ey Grove	Mrs. Lillian Lossiah	Cherokee
k Hill	Miss Rachel Taylor	Whittier
k Springs	Mrs. Mary Jane Taylor	Cherokee
qucyah	Mrs. Viola French	Cherokee
raight Fork	Joe Wolfe	Cherokee
erfalls	Mrs. Elmora Thompson	Cherokee
ghts Creek	Russell Hornbuckle	Cherokee
llow Hill	Mrs. Ella West	Cherokee
on Hill	Mrs. Maggie Wachacha	Robbinsville

And many a heart, which could not understand his Indian words,
was strangely warmed and trembled, too,
As Esiah's spirit got in touch with God's, and vibrated,
As he prayed and sermonized.

Esiah was Poverty's child.

He was intimate with rain.

Cold and heat he habited with.

Loneliness and Hunger walked by his side.

Yet no complaining he ever made.

In his time he had preached in every church on the lands of the
Eastern Band. Boiling Springs, Echota, Bigwitch, Straight Fork,
and all the rest.

Revivals, Wakes, Meetings, Funerals, Unions, Associations all
Have felt his presence, his preaching, and his prayers.

Unhurried, with Bible and walking cane, he has walked
The winding paths beside the rivers and the streams —
Soco, Wrights Creek, Toe String, Ravens Fork, Oconoluftee,
Through Nantahala to Little Snowbird — to tell of God.

Now his journeyings are over.

His tale has been told.

He belongs to the ages.

"For God so loved . . ."

"Ye know the Father . . ."

"I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life . . ."

"I go to prepare a place for you . . ."

"In my Father's house are many mansions . . ."

"I will come again . . ."

"Ye have kept the faith . . ."

"Ye have finished the course . . ."

"Henceforth there is a crown . . ."

Run, Esiah, put on your white robes of purity,

Put on your crown of righteousness

And shout all over God's heaven!

Enjoy your mansion

Set on a street paved with pure gold!

We will meet you at the North Gate.

This issue of The Cherokee Missionary Baptist Association
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Held With

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CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

OCTOBER 1, 2, & 3, 1964

NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

BETHABARA BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 1, 2, 1965

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Jack Jackson Moderator.....Cherokee, N.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Ass't Moderator,...Cherokee, N.
Sis. Mary Blythe, Treasurer.....Whittier, N.
Sis. Ruth Bushyhead, Clerk.....Whittier, N.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Interpreter.....Cherokee, N.
1. Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian....Whittier, N.
2. Rev. James Parris, Historian.....Cherokee, N.
Bro. Robert Bushyhead, Missionary...Cherokee, N.

COMMITTEE

Executive Committee: Pastor and one layman
from each church

Time and Place:

Bro. Israel Davis, Bro. Buck West and
Sister Arnesa Maney.

Temperance: Bro. Steve Richmond.

Sunday School: Bro. Jarrett Blythe.

Ordained Minister: Bro. James Parris.

Finances: Bro. Ed Welch.

Orbituary: Bro. Enoch Owl.

Messengers

BIG COVE: Bro. James Parris, Bro. Buck West,
Sister Katie Davis and Sister Viola
French.

Big Witch: Bro. Nick Bradley and Sister Edith
Bradley.

BOILING SPRINGS: Bro. Frank Shook, Bro. Ben Bushyhead, Bro. Clyde Smith, Sister Caroline Conseen, Sister Ruth Bushyhead.

CHEROKEE: Bro. Larry Bryson, Bro. Oliver Smith, Sister Charlotte Cabe, Bro. Blake Sneed, Sister Naomi Sneed, Bro. Milton Smith.

ECHOTA: Bro. Lloyd Lambert, Bro. Isaac Welch, Bro. Jackson George.

Macadonia: Bro. Jarrett Blythe, Sister Mary Blythe, Bro. Jack Jackson, Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Moody Reed, Bro. Hillard Sneed, Bro. James Sneed, Sister Lucinda Martin, Sister Sallie Hornbuckle, Sister Minda Reed, Sister Emmaline Cucumber.

ROCK SPRINGS: Bro. James Bradley, Bro. James G. Welch, Sister Claudia Seay, Bro. Jesse Maney, Bro. John A. Tahquette,

STRAIGHT FORK: Bro. Joe Wolfe, Bro. Roy French, Bro. Russell Tooni, Bro. Jack Lossie, Sister Emmaline Driver.

WATERFALLS: Bro. Edd Welch, Bro. Thomas Lambert, Sister Anne Mae Hornbuckle.

ZION HILL: Bro. Ike Jackson, Bro. Sam Brown.

WRIGHTS CREEK: Bro. John Smith, Bro. Gene
Crowe, Bro. Russell Horn-
Buckle, Sister Regenia Crowe,
Sister Stacey Hornbuckle,

YELLOW HILL: Sister Cecilia Miller, Sister
Myrtle Johnson, Sister Margaret
Davis, Sister Wally Screamer.

LITTLE SNOWBIRD: Bro. Ute Jumper, Jr. Bro.
Lee Tesateskie, Sister
Caroline Tesateskie.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethren invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committee unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every Speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without the permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
8. The Association shall begin at 10:00 A.M. (EST) and close at 3:P.M. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishment of this to be strictly ~~comfortable~~ *conformable* to the New Testament.

ARTICLE III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body.

ARTICLE IV. The messengers from each church will bear letters certifying their appointment; also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the

expenses of the Association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for 2 years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the Association.

Article V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, and Missionary.

Article VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record all proceedings of each Annual Session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Article VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purposes collected.

ARTICLE IX. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and, if received, the Moderator shall extend her the right of fellowship.

Time

ARTICLE X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

ARTICLE XI. The Annual Session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such place as this Association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.

Article XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer, and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionary.
5. Denomination Sermon.
6. Hear Reports of Committee.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Call for Treasurer's Report.
10. Miscellaneous business.

MISSIONARY RESPONSIBILITY

ARTICLE 13. NATURE OF WORK

1. The Missionary shall not serve any one church more than two consecutive months as interim pastor. If under unusual circumstances, the church still has need of the service of the Missionary a request can be made to the Missions Committee for an extension of not more than five Sundays.

2. The Missionary shall promote the programs of our Southern Baptist Convention among the churches of this Association—S.S., T.U., W.M.U., Brotherhood, and Missions (Hospital, Cooperative Programs, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Children's Homes, State Missions, Home for the Aging, Etc.).
3. The Missionary shall visit each church at least one time per year and assist any church at any time he is called upon.
4. The Missionary shall support and promote special services among churches, such as revivals, study courses, union meetings, etc.
5. The Missionary shall edit and publish a monthly bulletin which will be sent to all pastors, deacons, S.S. superintendents, T.U. Directors, teachers, and church offices.
6. The Missionary shall make a monthly report through the Associational News Bulletin.
7. The Missionary shall attend meetings provided by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention that will help him carry on his work in our churches.
8. The Missionary will be allowed to participate the following number of weeks in meetings outside the immediate Association:
 - a. Two—one week, or i two week revivals.
 - b. Two weeks of denominational work.
 - c. Two weeks vacation with pay.

9. The Missionary shall be responsible to the Missions Committee which is elected by the Executive Committee of the Association.
10. The Missionary shall be called for an indefinite period of time.
The party will give at least 30 days notice before termination.

PROCEEDINGS

THE EIGHTY FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association
WATERFALLS BAPTIST CHURCH
October 1, 1964

Thursday October 1, 1964
Theme: Salvation by Grace. Eph. 2:8-10
8:45 A.M. Song Service led by Bro. Robert Bushyhead. Moderator calls the body ready for business.

Prayers led by Bro. Edd Welch reading Romans 3:23 and John 12:43, he comments on these Prayer by Bro. Dettie Owle. Moderator calls for letters of churches to be read. 14 churches represented with 48 messengers appointed. Motion made and sustained by a second to accept the letters and seat the messengers, as read. Motion carried.

The clerk reads a letter from the Bethabara Baptist Church asking to be admitted to this Association. A Motion made and sustained by a second to accept their petition - motion carried

Then a song "Bless be the tie" was sung the right hand fellowship was extended to the representatives from Bethabara Baptist Church.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion made and sustained by a second to retain Jack Jackson as Moderator-Motion carried

Motion made and sustained by a second that Enoch Owle act as assistant Moderator and interpreter - Motion Carried . Motion made and sustained by a second to retain the clerk Ruth Bushyhead. Motion carried

Motion made and sustained by a second to retain the Treasurer, Mary Blythe-Motion carried

Motion made and sustained by a second that James (Bo) Parris be elected to help Bro. Ben Bushyhead as Historian-Motion carried.

Motion made and sustained by a second to retain the present Missionary-Robert Bushyhead.

Motion carried

This closed the election of officers as members of other committees had been appointed at the Executive Committee meeting by the Program Committee. The 11:00 o'clock service was turned over to Bro. Robert Bushyhead bringing the Doctrinal sermon. Reading from St. John 15:1-14. His text was "Does it matter what a person believes.?"

While singing "How Firm a Foundation" a fellowship handshake was extended.

Prayer by Bro. Larry Bryson.

Adjourn for lunch.

Afternoon session.

1:00 O'clock, singing led by Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

Devotional was led by Bro. Buck West reading Romans 6:23 and commented on this.

Prayer by Bro Enoch Owle.

Roll call with 41 present

Motion made and sustained by a second to accept Wrights Creek's letter which came late.

Motion carried

By consent of Mrs. Emily Walkingstick-W.M.U. and Program Committee, this time was given to Bro. Julian Hopkins for State Missions. Sister Emily Walkingstick gives the W.M.U. report. Baptist Hospital report given by Dr. McGee.

Motion made and sustained by a second that the miscellaneous business and Sunday School report be postponed until the next day. Motion carried

Motion made and sustained by a second the reading of the day's minutes be accepted.

Motion carried

While singing a song, an offering was received for emergency. \$10.34

Benediction prayer by Bro. Ike Jackson.

FRIDAY, October 2, 1964

10:00 A.M. Song service led by Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

Devotional given by Bro. Oliver Smith, reading Romans 3:24 and commented on this verse. Prayer by Bro. Oliver Smith.

Roll call with 35 messengers present. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the letter from Zion Hill Baptist Church as read

Motion carried

Obituary report given by Bro. Enoch Owle.

Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt this report. Motion carried.

Ordained ministers report given by the Committee. motion made and sustained by a second to accept this report. Motion carried

American Bible Society report given by Bro. Jim Bradley.

Motion made and sustained by a second to accept this report. Motion carried.

After singing a song, the 11:00 hour was turned over to the speaker of the hour. Bro. Larry Bryson. He reads 11. Samuel 24-242 and Acts 7:54-60. Prayer by Bro. Oliver Smith. The speakers text is "Religion Costs Smoething." In the couse of a song, an offering was received. \$901. While singing the fellowship handshakes was extended. Prayer by Bro. Bo Parris. adjourn for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00 singing led by Bro. Robert Bushyhead. Devotional led by Bro. Ross Smoker, reading Romans 10:9-13. Commenting on these in the Cherokee Language. Prayer by Bro. Bo Parris. Roll call with 34 messengers present. Motion made and sustained by a second to accept the recommendation of the Mission Committee on the Missionary responsibility. Motion carried Motion made and sustained by a second to take out the last sentence of Article III, which concerns the ordained ministers. .
Motion carried

Motion made and sustained by a second that in Article IV, an amendment shall be added. Any church not sending a letter or messengers for 2 years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the Association.

Motion carried

Motion made and sustained by a second that Article VII read thus: All Committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes shall be in to the clerk on the day of the report of the Association. Motion carried Motion made and sustained by a second that we add the recommendation which concerns the Missionary responsibility for Article XIII. Motion Carried .

Sunday School report by Jarrett Blythe Motion made and sustained by a second to accept his report and add on to the minutes enrollment of the Sunday School by departments. Motion carried.

Associational report given by Robert Bushyhead. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt his report. Motion carried
Temperance report by Steve Richmond. Motion made and sustained by a second to accept his report. Motion carried. Motion made and sustained by a second to give 5 minutes for Historians report. Motion carried. Motion made and sustained by a second to accept this report - Motion carried. A Committee was appointed to help the Historian to gather information: They are Robert Bushyhead, Enoch Owle, Ike Jackson, and Ross Smoker. It was moved and sustained by a second to adopt the minutes as read - Motion carried. Motion made and sustained by a second to excuse the messengers from Zion Hill, because of distance. Motion carried.

After a song - Bro. Ike Jackson pronounced the benediction, meeting adjourned.

OCTOBER 3, 1964. Saturday 10:00 a.m.

Song service led by Bro. Earnest Lindsay
Devotions led by Bro. John A. Tahquette using the theme, "Salvation by Grace". reading from Acts 16:29-31, Acts 4: 10-12- Romans 8:38-39 and commenting on these. Prayer by same. Roll call with 37 messengers present. While the congregation sang "What A Friend" an offering was received in the amount of \$12.17. The time then was turned over to the representatives from the children's Home. Bro. Reed.

Treasurer's report given by Jarrett Blythe. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt the report, the budget and the recommendation given. Motion carried. Time and place committee have

decided to have the next Associational meeting at the Bethabara Baptist Church in Birdtown next October, 1965. Motion made and sustained by a second that the Old Ordained Ministers Committee have their time extended and Bro. Dewese Bradley to replace Solomon Queen. Time extended until Association Motion carried.

Child Care report given by Miss Lucy McLaughlin Director. Motion made and sustained by a second to adopt this report. Motion carried. After a song the 11:00 hour was turned over to the speaker, Bro. James (Bo) Parris. He reads Titus 2:11-14 verses. His topic being "What the Grace of God teaches us." While a song "On Jordans Stormy Banks I Stand." was sung, an invitation was extended and christian handshake was given. Motion made and sustained by a second that the minutes be adopted as read. Motion carried. Motion made and sustained by a second that we adjourn the business part of our meeting until next Association at Bethabara. Motion carried. Benediction Prayer by Bro. W. C. Reed.

OBITUARY REPORT

I love to think of when St. John heard a voice from heaven on the Isle of Patmos:
Re. 14:13.

Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: that they may rest from their labours; and their works as follow them. Now Friends let me ask you a question whether you are saved or unsaved. We all must leave this scene shortly: What kind of works are going to follow us? If saved, what are we doing for the Lord?

If unsaved, I beg you to remember, your sins will follow after you, those sins you have been trying to forget; those sins from which you have fled; those sins for which, in your folly, you thought you could atone by effort of your own.

The blood of Christ alone can wash you from all those sins, and then, as a believer in the Lord Jesus, you can live for him in this scene, and your works will follow you to heaven, for all that is done for Christ will abide for eternity.

Our beloved dead are:

Macedonia: Sister Ollie Washington
Sister Amanda Blackfox, Bro. Joe Long

Rock Springs: Sister Sarah Arneach

Wrights Creek: Sister Addie Reed

Cherokee Mission: Sister Nan Smith Bro. Jesse Lambert
Sister Mattie Manis

Piney Grove: Bro. Jackson Lambert

Big Cove: Sister Birdie Huskey

Straightfork: Bro. Joe Johnson - Infant, 2 months old: Romana Lyne Panther Luke. 18: 16 Jesus said, suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not:

Echota: Sister Nancy Oosiwee - Bro. Tom Martin

Rock Hill: Bro. Allen Owl

Boiling Springs: Bro. James Conseen.

Zion Hill: Bro. Charlie Smoker, Sister Sara J. Smoker Sister Polly Tesateskie,
Sister Jessie Tesateskie.

Fully submitted by Enoch Owl.

HISTORICAL REPORT

There is considerable broken history of the Cherokee Baptist people.

It runs far back of a hundred years into the native hills and valleys of Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina, even before the migration to the west.

Like the white churches it has been hard to preserve Church Records on account of the characters of much of the early building, carelessness in handling records, and lack of translation.

We are now on the way to collecting historical material in the form of church minutes, Association minutes, remembrances of the aged preachers and sketches of missionary work among the Cherokees as found in old religion papers and magazines, with here and there doubtless references in the old files of newspapers, reviews, and minutes of contemporay white Associations in the early days. In fact, before a good story of Cherokee Baptist History can be written we must get the material ready actually on a list of references that will enable us to make a good survey. To this end your historian would ask for a committee of old and young men to see that such materials are gathered an found possible and kept on record by the clerk of this Association.

We have on file already several copies of past minutes of the Association which should as early as possible be made complete and carefully preserved.

Respectfully submitted by Bro. Ben Bushyhead.

CHILD CARE REPORT

Since the last annual associational meeting many new things have been added to our Baptist work. Among these is the child care center.

The child care center provides care for children ages 2 through 5 whose mothers work. Since its opening December 2, 1963 sixty-five children have participated in the program.

The child care center is more than just a baby sitting agency. Our program is planned to meet the needs of each child who comes to the center. The setting is one of Christian love. To achieve this setting each worker must be a Christian. Our workers Mrs. Ruth Smith, Mrs. Stacey Saunooke, Mrs. Sue Dills and Mrs. Pearl Reagan, our dictition, are all wonderful christians active in their local church, interested in their community. These workers also have a deep love for children and a desire to help the children become the individuals God would have them become.

Our program is designed to guide the child toward prayer development. Psychologists tell us that by the time the child is six years old he will have laid the foundation for his future development. Accepting fact we plan a program that will help the child develop to the fullest extent.

Spiritually, emotionally, socially, mentally, and phisically.

I have taken as my motto for the Child Care Center the verse from Proverbs, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Submitted by Lucy Laughlin.

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES
1964

Helping children and young people to grow and develop toward Christian maturity is one of the greatest privileges in life. It is the purpose of the Children's Homes to develop the highest quality of men and women possible out of boys and girls who are served. Careful attention is given to their needs, both present and future.

Children are accepted as they are when they come to the Homes. In the spirit of Christ, they are recognized for their sacred worth and value. They are provided food, clothing and shelter. But of greater importance than material things is the genuine interest, concern and love given every child by the Christian men and women who work with them. Many children who have known only heartbreak and tragedy learn to love again--learn to trust in themselves, in adults and in God.

A member of this year's senior class expressed her appreciation for the Children's Homes in the following way: "Living at one of the Homes has given me a chance to make something out of myself. I have been afforded the opportunity of getting a good education. Things have been learned and friendships have been formed which will bless my life as long as I live. Best of all I have learned to know to trust to follow and to serve Christ as my Saviour. I want North Carolina Baptists to know how very much I appreciate all that they have done for me and for thousands of other boys and girls who have needed a home, love and care."

Genuine appreciation is expressed by those who direct our child care program for all who have helped to make this ministry possible. Income through the Cooperative Program, through the Thanksgiving offering and through special gifts are vital. To the services which are provided those who need our help.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

Interim Pastor in Churches.....	4
Boiling Springs, Waterfalls, Straight Fork and Yellow Hill.....	
Sermons Preached.....	110
Prayer Meetings conducted.....	60
Churches in Association visited.....	13
Visit sick and hospitals.....	20
Study Course (Personal soul-winning).....	1
Baptisms.....	6

(Outside the Reservation)

Associational Sunbeam meeting (Yadkinville)...	1
Associational R. A. Brotherhood (Bessemer City)	1
State Associational Conference (Fruitland)....	1
Associational Youth Camps.....	5
Committee meetings.....	5
Individual contacts (Associational Wise).....	70
Miles Driven (approximately).....	24.00

Plans are underway for Church Field Surveys, Revivals and study courses in "Personal Soul-winning and Stewartship.

Union meetings attended.....4

Associational Meeting attended.....1

Sunday School Conventions attended..... 10

Respectfully Submitted
Robert Bushyhead

READ I TIMOTHY 3:1-7

The following are listed in Letters to the Association as ordained ministers holding membership with churches belong to the this Association.

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| 1. Bro . Enoch Owl. | 19. Bro. Solomon Queen |
| 2. Bro. James Parris | 20. Bro. Dewitt Owle |
| 3. Fred Roland | 21. Bro. Fred Roland |
| 4. John Walkingstick | |
| 5. Clifford Hornbuckle | ***** |
| 6. Thomas Lambert | |
| 7 Bro. Dewese Bradley | Bro. James Cochran |
| 8 Bro. Martin Smith | Bro. Frank Shook |
| 9. Bro Ben Bushyhead | Bro. E. B. Lindsay |
| 10. Bro. Robert Bushyhead | |
| 11. Bro. Ike Jackson | Are brethern serving |
| 12. Glen J. Bradley | our Churches but mem- |
| 13. Bro. Larry Bryson | bership in sester |
| 14. Bro. Nick Bradley | Associations. |
| 15. Bro. Dock Smith | |
| 16. Bro. G. George | |
| 17. Bro. Arthur Locust | |
| 18. Bro. Sheperd Squirrel | |

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ANNUAL REPORT

1964

SALUTATION

Report of societys

A - Only one to report at Cherokee church.
Full organization.

B - Urge more organizations in churches.

C - Share disappointments, observatives, experiences, objectives for this year.

Women make up the W. M. U. of a church - they sponsor young people in a church. The women sponsor the girls the men the boys.

D. Jesus said "Begin at home, then into the uttermost parts" -

E. We are taught as children "Obey your parents" Are we children of God? As we see our "Fields white unto harvest" about us.

F. Let us take a look at our own communitys - our young people groping! For what? Searching for something? What is it? Mothers and fathers have a responsibility to God for children they bring into the world. What are young people searching for? Have adults failed them. Do they search for security understanding, guidance, to know the Lord, peace, love, or kindness of some Christian.

Last month 2 women and myself had the joyous privilege to attend a W.M.U. work shop in Fruitland for associational officers. Here we were truly inspired and made to realize to a refresh our individual responsibilities. These ladies are ready to assist any church to organize and can follow up your meetings and teach you your duties. We are not all teachers but there is a job for each one. Jesus said "Go and teach." Do we hear and understand?

Mothers have a terrific responsibility to your children and your neighbors children. You do not want their blood on your hands because you failed to go and teach them. W.M.U. reaches out to physically ill, and sin sick, in your community they need you, the pastor needs you on the field to assist him, a true born again child of God will want to go and will say "Here am I send me."

Lets thru faith in God launch out on His promise "Lo I am with you always" My God is real, a living God. How real is He to each one of us.

Respectfully submitted:

Mrs. Emily Waskingstick, Associational W.M.U.
President.

To: Cherokee Indian Baptist Association
In Annual Session with Waterfalls Baptist Church.

October 1, 2, & 3, 1964

From: Bethebara Baptist Church
Birdtown Community
Cherokee, North Carolina

We the members of the Bethebara Baptist Church in official church conference on September 30, 1964, do hereby petition the Cherokee Indian Association to accept us into full fellowship with the Association. We being of the same faith and order as the churches of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association and having been duly constituted as a church, we do hereby make this petition.

The following messengers have been elected to present this petition.

The Rev. Dewitt Owle, Bro Willard Lambert and Sister Elizabeth Crowe. Adopted October 10,-1, 64.

Sincerely

Dewitt Owle...Pastor
Walter Lambert....Clerk.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY
Matt 24-14 Mark-16-15

"God's Word for a new Age" is the theme of a program of missionary advance in which the American Bible Society is seeking to provide greatly increased quantities of Scriptures urgently needed for mission work around the world.

If the people of the world are to know Jesus Christ the one hope of men and nations, they must have the Bible.

Each person must have the Bible in his own language because it speaks to his heart as no other language can speak.

But, in most countries, people cannot afford even the cost of printing the Scriptures.

The Bible is the essential tool of missions and evangelism. The missionary uses it in all his work.

The American Bible Society is an active partner of Southern Baptists.

In the program of "God's Word for a New Age" your American Bible Society is working in cooperation with 22 other national Bible Societies throughout the world.

During 1963 the American Bible Society, gave almost a million Scripture volumes for distribution by Chaplains to our Armed Forces and Veterans' Hospitals, as a vital link between the home churches and men in service. A record total, with almost half the total going to other countries--and ~~dedicated~~ dedicated itself to the task of doubling its annual distribution to meet urgent worldwide needs.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST SUPPORT THE WORK

Because the Bible Society serves Mission work and Southern Baptist missionaries depend on the Society for Scriptures they need for their people - Southern Baptists believe in the missionary importance of giving to the American Bible Society.

The help of every Southern Baptist church is needed and Southern Baptist churches can lead - if every church will give. Has your church given this year?

Respectfully submitted

Bro. James Bradley

PASTORS AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove	Rev. James M. Parris ...	Cherokee
Big Witch.....	Glenn J. Bradley, Rt 1,	Cherokee
Boiling Springs..	Frank Shook, Box 774	Bryson City
Cherokee.....	Larry Bryson, Box 395-	Cherokee
Echota.....	Arthur Locust, Rt 1-	Bryson City
Little Snowbird..	James Cochran Bx, 701,	Robbinsville
Macedonia.....	Enoch Owle -	Cherokee
Piney Grove.....	Abel Lossiah -	Cherokee
Rock Hill.....	Abel Lossiah	Cherokee
Rock Springs.....	Dock Smith -	Cherokee
Sequoyah.....		
Straightfork.....	E. B. Lindsay -	Bryson City
Water Falls.....	Thomas Lambert -	Cherokee
Wrights Creek ...	Fred Roland Rt 1-	Bryson City
Yellow Hill.....		
Zion Hill.....	Ike Jackson Rt 1-	Robbinsville
Bethebara.....	Transferred from Tennessee	
	River Association.	

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES

Cherokee.....Dillard Maney - Cherokee
Rock Springs.....Reuben E. Taylor-Cherokee
Straight Fork.....Catherine Panther-Cherokee

W. M. U. Presidents

Big Cove.....Mrs. Katie Davis.....Cherokee
Cherokee.....Mrs. Eloise Bryson...Cherokee

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove.....Alfred West, Sr., * R - Cherokee
Big Witch.....John A. Crowe -Cherokee
Boiling Springs Clyde Smith - Bx 291-Whittier
Cherokee.....John Gloyne.....Cherokee
Echota.....Erneast Locust - Bryson City
Little Snowbird.Lee Teesateskie, Rt 1, Robbinsville
Macedonia.....Jack Jackson, Rt 1, -Whittier
Piney Grove.....
Rock Hill.....
Rock Springs....Reuben E. Taylor, Bx275-Cherokee
Sequoyah.....
Straight Fork...Richard Mancy - Cherokee
Water Falls.....John G. Driver, Box 24, -Cherokee
Wrights Creek...Albert Croew -.....Cherokee
Yellow Hill.....Fred Wilnoty - Rt 1 - Sylva
Zion Hill.....Ross Smoker, Rt 1 - Robbinsville
Bethabara.....Transferred from Tennessee River
Association.

CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove.....Mrs. Katie Davis, * Rt, Box 32 Cherokee
Big Witch.....Elizabeth Crowe, Box 73,.....Cherokee
Boiling Springs.Ruth Bushyhead, Box 145.....Whittier
Cherokee.....Jerri Reagan, Rt. 1-Box 146...Whittier
Echota.....Isaac Welch.....Cherokee
Little Snowbird.Caroline Teesateskie, Rt 1-Robbinsville
MacendoniaJack C. Jackson, Rt 1 Box 163,Whittier
Piney Grove.....
Rock Hill.....
Rock Springs...Mary Jane Taylor, Box 275.....Cherokee
Sequoyah.....
Straight Fork...Joe Wolfe.....Cherokee
Water Falls.....Elnora Thompson.....Cherokee
Wrights Creek...Gene Crowe.....Cherokee
Yellow Hill.....Mrs. Ella West, Box 163.....Cherokee
Zion Hill.....Maggie Wachacha.....Robbinsville

TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove.....Buck West, Box 27... Cherokee
Big Witch.....Elizabeth W. Crowe,..Cherokee
Boiling Springs...Ruth Bushyhead,Whittier
Cherokee.....John Dills, Box 312..Cherokee
Echota.....Isaac Welch.....Cherokee
Little Snowbird...Lee Teesateskie, Rt 1Robbinsville
Macedonia.....Jarrett Blythe, Rt 1 Cherokee
Piney Grove.....
Rock Springs.....Myrtle Youngbird, ...Cherokee
Straight Fork.....Russell Tooni.....Cherokee
Water Falls.....Ed Welch.....Cherokee
Wrights Creek.....Gilbert Crowe.....Cherokee
Yellow Hill.....Jim West, Box 6B,...Cherokee
Zion Hill.....Elizabeth Jackson....Robinsville

CHURCH TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove.....Buck West.....CHEROKEE
Big Witch.....Elizabeth Crowe...Cherokee
Boiling Springs.Ruth Bushyhead...Whittier
Cherokee.....John Dills.....Cherokee
Echota.....Isaac Welch.....Cherokee
Little Snowbird.Lee Teesateskie...Robbinsville
Macendonia.....Jarrett Blythe....Cherokee
Piney Grove.....
Rock Hill.....
Rock Springs...Myrtle Youngbird..Cherokee
Sequoyah.....
Straight Fork...Russell Tooni.....Cherokee
Water Falls.....Ed Welch.....Cherokee
Wrights Creek...Gilbert Crowe....Cherokee
Yellow Hill.....Jim West.....Cherokee
Zion Hill.....Elizabeth Jackson..Robbinsville

MUSIC DIRECTOR AND ADDRESSES

Big Cove.....Amble Wolfe.....Cherokee
Cherokee.....Eloise Bryson.....Cherokee
Macedonia.....Noah Cucumber.....Cherokee
Straight Fork...Roy French.....Cherokee

I'm sure that those of you who are present today, are christians and you serve the living God. As Christians you will be concerned about another religion, one that is growing faster than the Christian Religion, one that receives more money than is contributed to the combined christian movement, one that has more members than we christians can boast of, one that is enlisting new converts at a rate far out numbering our Christian Churches. One whose members are all constantly working for its expansion and the majority of new members the enlistment are teenagers

THIS IS THE RELIGION OF ALCOHOL

Their idol is a can of beer, glass of wine or that drink of whiskey.

An idol can be defined as a person or thing which you put first in your life. 64% of our adults put alcohol first in their life in North Carolina last year nearly \$200 million was spent for legal whisky, wine and beer.

Largest selling liquor in America last year was Bourbon 75 million gallons sold which was an increase of 27% over 1962. Also up the number of American alcoholics. 1 in 13 American drinker is an alcoholic, or 4 million americans are alcoholics. Alcoholism is the no. 4- health problem in the United States today alcohol produces approximately 70% of our nations criminals. A Chicago judge says" 75% of all divorce cases in his court were the result of alcohol. 11 Billion spent in this country last year for Alcoholic beverages. This is more than we give to our churches and charities, plus the amount we spend on education. 3 out of 4 American homes are effected by alcohol.

Those of you who are concerned about juvenile delinquency must listen to the statistics from the National Temperance League. In a survey of 1,158 high school students 68% never drank while 30% drank occasionally, and 2 % drank frequently. 22% of the mothers of these children drank and 49% of the fathers drank.

When these children were asked why they drank. 68% did it to follow the crowd. 21% to increase gaiety. 10% to forget their troubles and 4% to derive physical benefits. Those 10% who drank to forget their troubles are on their way to becoming alcoholics.

What is the reason for this increase in the drinking habits of our American people?

Advertisement on the part of the products of alcoholic beverages.

Second part to this story is the lack of advertisement on the part of CHRISTIANS. Of alcoholic beverages the Bible says "At THE LAST IT BITETH LIKE A SERPENT AND STINGETH LIKE AN ADDER (PRO. 23:32)

Paul says "NOR THIEVES, NOR COVETOUS, NOR DRUNKARDS shall inherit the Kingdom of God" (1 Cor. 6:10)

Does not Christ want us to warn people against this evil.

No report of treasurers on books of 1964.



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CHEROKEE
INDIAN
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*"Go Ye Into All
The World"*

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

held with

BETHABARA BAPTIST CHURCH

Cherokee, N. C.

September 30

October 1, 2, 1965

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

STRAIGHTFORK BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 29, 30 - OCTOBER 1, 1966

CHEROKEE INDIAN MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Bro. Jack Jackson, Moderator.....Cherokee, N.C.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Ass't Moderator.Cherokee, N.C.
Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Clerk.....Whittier, N.C.
Sister Ella West, Treasurer.....Cherokee, N.C.
Rev. Enoch Owle, Interpreter.....Cherokee, N.C.

HISTORIANS

Rev. James M. Parris, Historian..Cherokee, N.C.
Rev. Ben Bushyhead, Historian....Cherokee, N.C.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARIES

Bro. Sam Teesateskie.....Cherokee, N.C.
(Resigned December 1965)

COMMITTEES

Executive.....Pastor and one layman from
each church.
Time and Place...Bro. John Wolfe, Bro. Dewitt
Owle, and Bro. Ross Smoker.
Mission.....Bro. Jack Jackson, Rev. Larry
Bryson, Bro. Buck West, Rev.
Enoch Owle, Bro. Dock Smith,
and Bro. James M. Parris.
Finance.....Bro. Jim Eradley, Bro. Ed
Welch, and Sister Ella West.
Minutes.....Sister Ruth Bushyhead, Rev.
Larry Bryson, Sister Naomi
Sneed, and Bro. J. M. Parris.

MESSENGERS

- Bethabara.....Bro. Bud Lambert, Sister
Shelia Lambert, Bro. Buddy
Waldroup, Sister Ester
Waldroup.
- Big Cove.....Bro. J.M. Parris, Sister
Viola French, Sister Katie
Davis, Bro. Buck West.
- Big Witch.....Rev. Nick Bradley, Rev. Glenn
Bradley.
- Boiling Springs...Sister Maggie Wahynetah,
Sister Carolyne Conseen.
- Cherokee.....Bro. Oliver Smith, Sister
Emily Walkingstick, Bro.
Larry Bryson, Sister Naomi
Sneed, Sister Lucy McLaughlin.
- Echota.....Bro. Lloyd Lambert
- Little Snowbird...Bro. Lee Teesateskie, Sister
Caroline Teesateskie.
- Macedonia.....Bro. Jarrette Blythe, Bro.
Hillard Sneed, Bro. Maurice
Sneed, Sister Joyce Sneed,
Bro. Nolan Queen, Bro. Enoch
Owle, Sister Golinda Queen,
Sister Mary Blythe.
- Rock Hill.....Bro. Jack Taylor, Bro. Arthur
Brady, Bro. Don Squirrel.
- Rock Springs.....Bro. James Bradley, Bro. James
G. Welch.
- Straightfork.....Bro. Joe Wolfe, Bro. George
Driver, Sister Mollie Seq-
uoyah.
- Waterfalls.....Sister Harriet Wilnoty, Sis.
Nita Reed, Bro. Ed Welch.
- Wrights Creek.....Bro. John Smith, Bro. Hartman
Hornbuckle, Bro. Fred Roland.

Yellow Hill.....Bro. Isreal Davis, Sis.
 Margaret Davis, Bro. Jonah
 Teesateskie, Sis. Ruth
 Bushyhead, Bro. Robert
 Bushyhead, Sis. Ella West.
 Zion Hill.....Bro. Ross Smoker, Bro. Joe
 Conseen.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Every meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Visiting brethern invited to seats with us may debate on all subjects coming before the Association but vote on none.
3. The Moderator shall nominate and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the Association.
4. No subject shall be discussed without first being presented on motion made and seconded.
5. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator who shall announce the name of the speaker before he proceeds.
5. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject nor occupy more than ten minutes without the permission from the body.
7. The minutes shall be read and approved before the adjournment of the Association.
3. The Association shall begin at 10:00 A.M. (EST) and close at 3:00 P.M. (EST).

CONSTITUTION

- Article I. This body shall be known as the Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association.
- Article II. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men and the accomplishment of this to be strictly conformable to the New Testament.
- Article III. This Association shall be composed of messengers chosen by the church in the Association. All messengers are expected to remain until the business session of the meeting is over, unless excused by the body.
- Article IV. The messengers from each church will bear letters certifying their appointment: also a statement of funds raised for pastors salary; incidental expenses and all benevolent purposes during the year. All letters must be in on the first day of the Association. Each church is requested to contribute ten dollars each Annual Session to pay the expenses of the Association if financially able to do so. Any church not sending a letter or messenger for 2 years in succession shall have fellowship withdrawn from them by the Association.
- Article V. The officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Interpreter, Cler., Treas., Historian, and Missionary.

Article VI. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during the deliberation of the body and to enforce the observance of the Constitution, preserve decorum, appoint committees decide all questions, give his opinion concerning the subject discussion after others have spoken or when called upon to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie.

Article VII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record all proceedings of each Annual Session, to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Article VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money and to faithfully account for and disburse the same for the purposes collected.

Article IX. Any church desiring to become a member of the body shall present her petition at an early session of this assembly through her messengers appointed for the purpose, and, if received, the moderator shall extend her the right of fellowship.

Article X. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges except voting.

- Article XI. The Annual Session of this body shall begin on Thursday before the first Sunday in October at such time and place as this Association may direct and shall elect and install officers on the first day.
- Article XII. All committee reports or anything pertaining to the minutes sent in to the clerk on the day of the report.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters and enroll messengers.
2. Elect Moderator and Assistant Moderator.
3. Elect Clerk, Interpreter, Treasurer, and Historian.
4. Elect Executive Committee and Missionary.
5. Denomination Sermon.
6. Hear reports of committee.
7. Provide for printing of minutes.
8. Minutes should be read and corrected each day.
9. Call for Treasurer's report.
10. Miscellaneous business.

MISSIONARY RESPONSIBILITY

Article 13. NATURE OF WORK

1. The Missionary shall not serve any one church more than two consecutive months as interim pastor. If under unusual circumstances, the church still has need of the service of the Missionary a request can be made to the Missions Committee for an extension of not more than five Sundays.

2. The Missionary shall promote the programs of our Southern Baptist Convention among the churches in this Association- S.S., T.U., W.M.U., Brotherhood, and Missions (Hospital, Cooperative Programs, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Children's Homes, State Missions, Home for the aging, etc.)
3. The Missionary shall visit each church at least one time per year and assist any church at any time he is called upon.
4. The Missionary shall support and promote special services among churches, such as revivals, study courses, union meetings, etc.
5. The Missionary shall edit and publish a monthly bulletin which will be sent to all pastors, deacons, S.S. superintendents, T.U. directors, teachers, and church offices.
6. The Missionary shall make a monthly report through the Associational News Bulletin.
7. The Missionary shall attend meetings provided by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention that will help him carry on his work in our churches.
8. The Missionary will be allowed to participate the following number of weeks in meetings outside the immediate Association:
 - a. Two-one week, or 1 two week revivals.
 - b. Two weeks of denominational work.
 - c. Two weeks vacation with pay.

9. The Missionary shall be responsible to the Missions Committee which is elected by the Executive Committee of the Association.
10. The Missionary shall be called for an indefinite period of time.
The party will give at least 30 days notice before termination.

PROCEEDINGS

THE EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association BETHABARA BAPTIST CHURCH September 30, 1965

The 85th Annual Session of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association opened on Thursday, September 30, 1965 at 10:00 A.M., the meeting being held with the Bethabara Baptist Church. The singing was led by Bro. Earnest Lindsay. The theme of the Association is "SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD". Matt. 6:33.

The devotion was led by Bro. Calvin Lossiah, reading 1 Cor. 10:31 and Matt. 6:30-33 and commenting on these verses. Prayer by Bro. Solomon Queen.

The moderator called for letters to be read and so carried. There were 14 churches represented and 43 messengers present of the 52 appointed.

A motion made and sustained by a second to accept the letters and seat the messengers. Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion made and sustained by a second to nominate Jack Jackson as moderator. Carried.

A motion made and seconded for nomination to cease. By unanimous vote Jack Jackson was elected moderator.

A motion made and seconded to nominate Enoch Owle as assistant moderator and interpreter. Carried. A motion made and seconded for nomination to cease. By unanimous vote Bro. Owle was elected.

By motion and a second Sister Ella West was elected as treasurer, Carried.

A motion made and seconded to retain the former Associational clerk, Sis. Ruth Bushyhead. Carried.

Bro. J.M. Parris makes a report for the Executive Committee concerning the Missionary. Bro. Sam Teesateskie a student at Fruitland, was presented for position of missionary to the Association. A motion made and seconded to vote if there are no other nominations. Carried. By unanimous vote Bro. Sam Teesateskie elected as Missionary.

Motion made and seconded to retain the Historians, Bro. J.M. Parris and Ben Bushyhead. Carried.

While singing a song, an offering was received in the amount of \$10.87.

The 11:00 o'clock service was then turned over to the speaker of the hour, Bro. J.M. Parris. He read from John 3:1-21. Prayer by Bro. Dewitt Owle. Bro. Parris read other scriptures and the context of his message was "Ye must be born again".

While a song was sung the right hand of fellowship was extended to all. Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began with singing led by Bro. Earnest Lindsay. Devotions were led by Bro. Israel Davis. Prayer by Bro. Fred Rowland. Bro. Davis read Romans 12:1-2 and commented on same and closed with prayer.

Roll call with 45 messengers present.

Appointment of committees by the moderator.

Time and Place.....	John Wolfe, Bro. Dewitt Owle and Bro. Ross Smoker.
Mission.....	Bro. Jack Jackson, Bro. Larry Bryson, Bro. Buck West, Bro. Enoch Owle, Bro. Dock Smith and Bro. J.M. Parris.
Finance.....	Bro. Jim Bradley, Sis. Ella West and Bro. Ed Welch.
Minutes.....	Sis. Ruth Bushyhead, Bro. Larry Bryson, Sis. Naomi Sneed and Bro., J.M. Parris.

The W.M.U. report was given by Sister Emily Walkingstick, Associational W.M.U. President.

Reports on Student Summer Mission Work came next. Bro. Buck West reports from Big Cove, Bro. Israel Davis for Yellow Hill and Bro. Oliver Smith, and Rev. Larry Bryson also report.

STUDENT SUMMER MISSIONS

1965 will be known as the year for building at Cherokee. We not only saw buildings erected but we saw Christian lives, young and old, "built."

Seventeen students and four faculty advisors, sponsored by the Baptist Student Union, Division of Missions, and the Home Mission Board, labored 9 weeks on the Reservation. They constructed an 1800 sq.ft. educational plant at Big Cove Baptist Church; renovated the Echato Baptist Church; and renovated and repaired Yellow Hill Baptist Church. Oliver Smith, Israel Parris, and Buck West served as foreman.

In addition to the construction work, they held seven Vacation Bible Schools, taught Sunday school classes each Sunday at a mission point, preached every Wednesday and Sunday in one of our churches.

The summer can be summed up by one of the students, "For the first time, my Christianity became relevant." They came, to Minister; they built, Churches and friends; they departed, leaving their Christian influence with the people and a deeper dedication within their own hearts.

Bro. James Lambert of Scott Creek gave a report on Baptist Hospitals.

BAPTIST HOSPITALS

More than 35,000 sick people were seen in the clinics of our Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem last year, and more than 19,000 were hospitalized for bed care. These sick people came from all sections of our state, out of all kinds of financial circumstances, and with almost every type of serious disease and sickness known to man. Most of them were sent by their local doctors, because they had problems which were difficult of diagnosis or treatment, and needed specialized facilities and skills such as those found at our Baptist Hospital.

In addition to the sick people who were served, there were more than 700 persons in training in the various fields of medical care and Christian service. These students were studying in ten different schools, and in other fields of training in our Medical Center, and will go out to serve as physicians, nurses, technicians, pastors and other Christian workers, in our communities and churches throughout North Carolina and on our mission fields around the world. These schools offer excellent opportunities, and they are interested in qualified Baptist young people who wish to invest their lives in useful service to their fellow man and in the kingdom of God.

The ministry of our hospital to people who are seriously ill and in meager circumstances lies at the very heart of its total work. All of our Mother's lay offerings are used for this Purpose:

When the doctors have given their skilled service without charge to these patients, and the money available from all other sources is added, every dollar we give is multiplied nine times over in free service to those who need help.

It is a high privilege for us in our churches to minister in the name of the Great Physician, through out hospital, to these multitudes who are sick. It will be a welcome voice when the King shall come in His glory and we can hear Him say: "Come, ye blessed of my Father; for I was sick, and ye visited me."

It was moved and seconded to adopt these reports. Carried.

A report was given on the Vacation Bible School by Rev. Larry Bryson.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School for our reservation was the best in several years. This was due to more of our churches planning and promoting their individual school. Also many of our students working on the reservation last summer helped our churches and provided some real leadership.

It is pleasing to note that more of the members of our local churches are participating in the schools as teachers. We hope that this year more and more will make it a point to work in Vacation Bible School.

The following churches held schools last summer: Big Cove, Big Witch, Cherokee, Echota, Little Snowbird, Macedonia, Rock Hill, Rock Springs, Straight Fork, Yellow Hill and Zion Hill. Enrollment 674. Increase of 217 over last year.

A motion made and seconded to adopt the W.M.U., Student Summer work, and Vacation Bible School reports. Carried.

The minutes were called for and read. Motion made and seconded to accept the minutes as read. Carried.

Moderator calls for a song and to extend a fellowship handshake to all.

Adjournment. Prayer by Bro. Glenn J. Bradley.

Bethabara Baptist Church
Cherokee, North Carolina
October 1, 1965 10:00 A.M.

The second day of the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association began with singing led by Bro. Lindsay. Devotion by Bro. Ed Welch reading Matthew 11:28-30 and Genesis 3:16-20, John 3:16-18 and commenting on these verses. Prayer by Bro. Dewitt Owle.

Roll call with 29 messengers present.

A letter from Echota Baptist Church which was late, was read. A motion made and seconded to accept the letter and seat the messenger. Carried.

A report on ordained Ministers was given by Bro. Oliver Smith.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

James Parris, John Walkingstick, Martin Smith, Dock Smith, Abel Lossie, Shepherd Squirrel, Larry Bryson, Fred Rowland, Joe Bradley,

ORDAINED MINISTERS cont.

Author Lucust, Enoch Owle, Solomon Queen, Thomas Lambert, Dewitt Owle, Robert Bushyhead, Ben Bushyhead, Ike Jackson, Ed Jumper, Nick Bradley, Sam Walkingstick, Dweese Bradley, Clifford Hornbuckle, and Goliath George.

Bro. Hugh Starnes gave a report on Baptist Children's Home.

There was a move and second to adopt the reports that were given. Carried.

Song service and an offering was received in the amount of \$9.01.

The 11:00 o'clock service was turned over to Bro. Enoch Owle, who is the speaker of the hour.

Prayer by Bro. Jonah Teesateskie.

For the background of his message he read John 1:1-4, his topic taken from the Associational theme "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God." He preached in the Cherokee language and also interprets his message in English.

While singing a song the congregation extends the right hand of fellowship.

Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began at 1:00 o'clock with singing. Bro. Ross Smoker has the devotion reading Hebrews 11:24-26 and Luke 14:38 and comments on these in Cherokee language. Prayer by Bro. J. M. Parris.

Roll call with 28 messengers present.

Brotherhood report was given by Bro. Clyde Davis.

Bro. J. M. Parris gave the Sunday School report in the absence of the Sunday School moderator. He read Matthew 28:19-20.

Enrollment from all churches is 1056, the average attendance is 705.

Rev. Guy Cain spoke briefly on Annuity Program and on State Missions. He read several verses in Hebrews.

Bro. Roy Smith gave a report on Seminary Extension Program.

SEMINARY EXTENSION

The continued response of the people to Seminary Extension is most satisfying and encouraging. Last year a record number of centers operated in Region 10. Fifteen centers serving Negroes, Cherokees and White pastors and lay people were in operation with an enrollment of 310.

The Big Cove Center had an enrollment of thirty people. Rev. James Parris taught the first course in Christian Doctrine, dealing with the great teachings of the Bible and the Christian Faith.

The Big Cove Center will begin operation in the near future. Rev. Parris will teach the second course in Christian Doctrine.

Scholarship funds are available for those who desire help in meeting the cost of the course of study. We encourage every pastor and church leader to share in this fellowship.

Bro. J. M. Parris gave certificates to those who earned them while they took part in the course which was taught at Big Cove.

A motion mad and seconded to adopt all reports given. Carried.

The minutes were called for and read. Motion made and seconded to adopt the minutes as read. Carried.

While a song was sung, the fellowship handshake was extended to all. Prayer by Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

Adjournment.

Bethabara Baptist Church
Cherokee, North Carolina
October 2, 1965

The Associational meeting began with singing, led by Bro. Earnest Lindsay, at 10:00 A.M.

Bro. Sam Teesateskie had the devotion, reading Job 1:13-22 and making some good comments on these verses. Prayer by Bro. Robert Bushyhead.

Roll call with 36 messengers present.

The Temperance report was given by Sister Ella West.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

The dictionary says that temperance is the habitual moderation of indulgence. Abstinence from.

TEMPERANCE REPORT cont.

As Christians we should be able to say with Paul "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away." 1 Cor. 9:27. We may not all be ordained preachers but certainly we are all witnesses for God and we need to be temperate in all things, as we are striving to obtain an incorruptible crown. The Bible tells us "all things" in 1 Cor. 9:25, which means every phase of our life. No matter what profession in life we choose, we train and prepare our body that we might be prepared for this specific job, and since we are striving for a permanent, eternal reward, which every Christian is going to win, we should : strive more earnestly to prepare ourselves for this race. We need to be temperate in our speech, our daily lives, eating and drinking, Daniel is an example for us, Daniel 1:8. "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the King's meat, nor with the wine which he drank, therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself." Zacharias was told before John the Baptist was born "For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither; wine nor strong drink;" Luke 1:15. We need to be temperate in all things for the sake of others and for good influence. 1 Peter 2:11-12, "Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;" "Having your conversations honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation."

We are told in the Bible that our bodies are the temple where the spirit dwells and we are not to defile it. In 1 Cor. 10:33, "Even as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit but the profit of many, that they may be saved." Proverbs 23:21 tells us "For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." Isaiah 5:11, "Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them. We need to seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, so as we pray for the problem we have on the reservation, God can hear and answer our prayers.

Miss Lucy McLaughlin gave a report on the Child Care Center.

CHEROKEE CHILD CARE CENTER

During the past year 81 children from 55 families were enrolled in our Child Care Center. To provide the best for these children we have four teachers, Mrs. Rosalee Robinson, Mrs. Stacey Saunooke, Mrs. Ruth Smith, and Miss Ruth Ann Smith, a dietitian-cook, Mrs. Pearl Reagan, and a custodian, Mr. Ted Roberts.

The desire of the Child Care Center is to provide the best of care and training for pre-school age children whose mothers work. The best can only be had in an atmosphere of Christian love. Therefore among the qualifications for our workers is "Life reflect the Christian way" and "Worker active in church where she is a member."

Our program is planned to provide a spiritual, emotional, physical, mental, and social basis for life that will guide each child as he grows, thus carrying out the Proverbs "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Included in our program are: 1. Two snacks and a well balanced dinner, and an afternoon nap, and plenty of activity for physical growth. 2. We have group time during which each child shares his experiences and the teacher shares that which will help the child grow spiritually and mentally. 3. Art time gives the child an opportunity to express himself as well as to learn how to work with various art materials. 4. Supervised free play gives the children opportunities to learn how to get along with others and how to express themselves to others. Teachers are always alert to give the child guidance in properly releasing his emotions and in how to be a part of a group. 5. One of the most important parts of the program is that the teacher is always there for the child to confide in, to ask questions of, and to love. This "unplanned" teaching and training goes further perhaps than any other.

We cannot measure the success of our center-not in numbers or any other way. But we have faith that work done for God's honor and glory shall not return unto him void.

In the absence of Ike Jackson, the Obituary report was given by J.M. Parris, reading 1 Cor. 6:9-11.

OBITUARY REPORT

Our beloved dead are:

Bethabara: Mary Griffin

Wayne Wominac

Noah Locust

Cherokee: Bob Cabe

Mrs. Dovie Driver

Little Snowbird: Noah Teesateskie

Macedonia: Joe V. Bradley

Jim Taylor

Rock Springs: Annie Littlejohn

Straight Fork: Jonah Armachain

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Yellow Hill: Miss Oliván Arch

Mr. Blaine Hill

Mr. Jim West

Mr. Duffy Smith

Mr. Wayne Walkingstick

Wright's Creek: Mrs. Rachel Hornbuckle

A motion made and seconded to adopt the three reports given. Carried.

While singing an offering was received, \$8.94.

Bro. Jarrett Blythe ask permission to give the Treasurer's report. It was granted.

A motion made and seconded to adopt this report. Carried.

It was time for the preaching service and the time was turned over to Bro. Fred Rowland. He read Mal. 4:1-6 as the background for his sermon. He spoke on the subject, "I will pay that which I have vowed", saith the Lord.

Having some time left after preaching, time was given to Bro. Sam Twisdale and Bro. Sam Teesateskie who gave words of Testimony.

While a song was sung, the right hand of fellowship was extended to all.

Adjournment for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began at 1:00 o'clock with singing. Bro. J.M. Parris and Bro. Earnest Lindsay sang a duet.

In the absence of Bro. Joe Bradley the devotion was given by James Bradley.
Prayer by Sam Teesateskie.

Roll call with 32 messengers present.

It is now time for business session of the meeting.

COMMITTEES

Time and Place: Straight Fork Baptist Church
1966.

Finance: Sister Ella West, Bro. Ed Welch.

Missionary: Bro. Sam Teesateskie.

A motion made and seconded to adopt the Committee reports as given. Carried.

The committee on locating the graves of the old deceased Ministers gave a report on those they found.

I found Rev. John Kanot who was a preacher who had died some where between 1893 and 1907. There was no marker on his grave. His grave is in the Chekelelee Cemetery.

Rev. Ute J. Jumper's grave is in the Hickory Gap Cemetery. He has no marker. What he has, has washed off in the rain. He died on August 15, 1958. These two graves need a headstone.

Rev. S. Dewitt Chekelelee, died September 30, 1960.

Rev. Armstrong Cornsilk, died August 23, 1925. He preached for fifty years, ordained on August 22, 1875. The American Legion put a marker on his grave, written in Cherokee Language. The grave is in the Atoah Cemetery.

Bro. Ross Smoker gave a written report of those graves found in Graham County.

Bro. James Parris will contact Bill Moody Funeral Home as to the cost of metal markers.

It was announced that the evening service would be preached by Bro. Sam Teesateskie.

Sister Mollie Sequoyah lead a song in the Cherokee language. During the song a love offering was received for Bro. Sam Teesateskie in the amount of \$12.56.

The minutes were called for an read. A motion made seconded to approve the minutes as read. Carried.

A Motion made and seconded to close the business part of the meeting until next Associational meeting. Carried.

A closing song and the right hand of fellowship was extended.

Closing prayer by Bro. Enoch Owle.

Moderator: Bro. Jack Jackson
Associational Clerk
Ruth Bushyhead

PASTOR'S & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....	Dewitt Owle, Whittier
Big Cove.....	James M. Parris, Cherokee
Bigwitch.....	Glenn J. Bradley, Cherokee
Boiling Springs....	None
Cherokee.....	Larry Bryson, Cherokee
Echota.....	None
Little Snowbird....	Ed Jumper, Cherokee
Macedonia.....	Enoch Owle, Cherokee
Rock Hill.....	Soloman Queen, Cherokee
Rock Springs.....	Dock Smith, Cherokee
Straight Fork.....	E. B. Lindsay, Bryson City
Water Falls.....	Arthur Locust, Bryson City
Wrights Creek.....	Fred Roland, Bryson City
Yellow Hill.....	Robert Gushyhead, Whittier
Zion Hill.....	Ike Jackson, Robbinsville

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....	Sam Brady, Cherokee
Big Cove.....	Alfred West, Cherokee
Big Witch.....	John Crowe, Cherokee
Boiling Springs....	None
Cherokee.....	John Gloyne, Cherokee
Echota.....	None
Little Snowbird....	Lee Teesateskie, Cherokee
Macedonia.....	Jack Jackson, Whittier
Rock Hill.....	Authur Brady, Bryson City
Rock Springs.....	Reuben E. Taylor, Cherokee
Straightfork.....	Richard Maney, Cherokee
Waterfalls.....	Glen Reed, Cherokee
Wrights Creek.....	Albert Crowe, Cherokee
Yellow Hill.....	Arch Miller, Cherokee
Zion Hill.....	Ross Smoker, Robbinsville

CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....	Mr. Walter E. Lambert Route 1 Whittier, North Carolina
Big Cove.....	Mrs. Sadie Bradley Box 273 Cherokee, North Carolina
Bigwitch.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe Box 73 Cherokee, North Carolina
Boiling Springs.....	Mrs. Maggie Wahynetah Whittier North Carolina
Cherokee.....	Mrs. Pearl Reagan Route 1 Whittier, North Carolina
Echota.....	Mr. Isaac Welch Cherokee North Carolina
Little Snowbird.....	Mrs. Carolina Teesateskie Box 53 Cherokee, North Carolina
Macedonia.....	Mr. Jack Jackson Route 1, Box 163 Whittier, North Carolina
Rock Hill.....	Mrs. Margaret Brady Route 1, Box 35 Bryson City, North Car.
Rock Springs.....	Mrs. Mary Jane Taylor Box 275 Cherokee, North Carolina
Straightfork.....	Mr. Joe Wolfe Cherokee North Carolina
Waterfalls.....	Mrs. Gracia Wilnoty Cherokee, North Carolina

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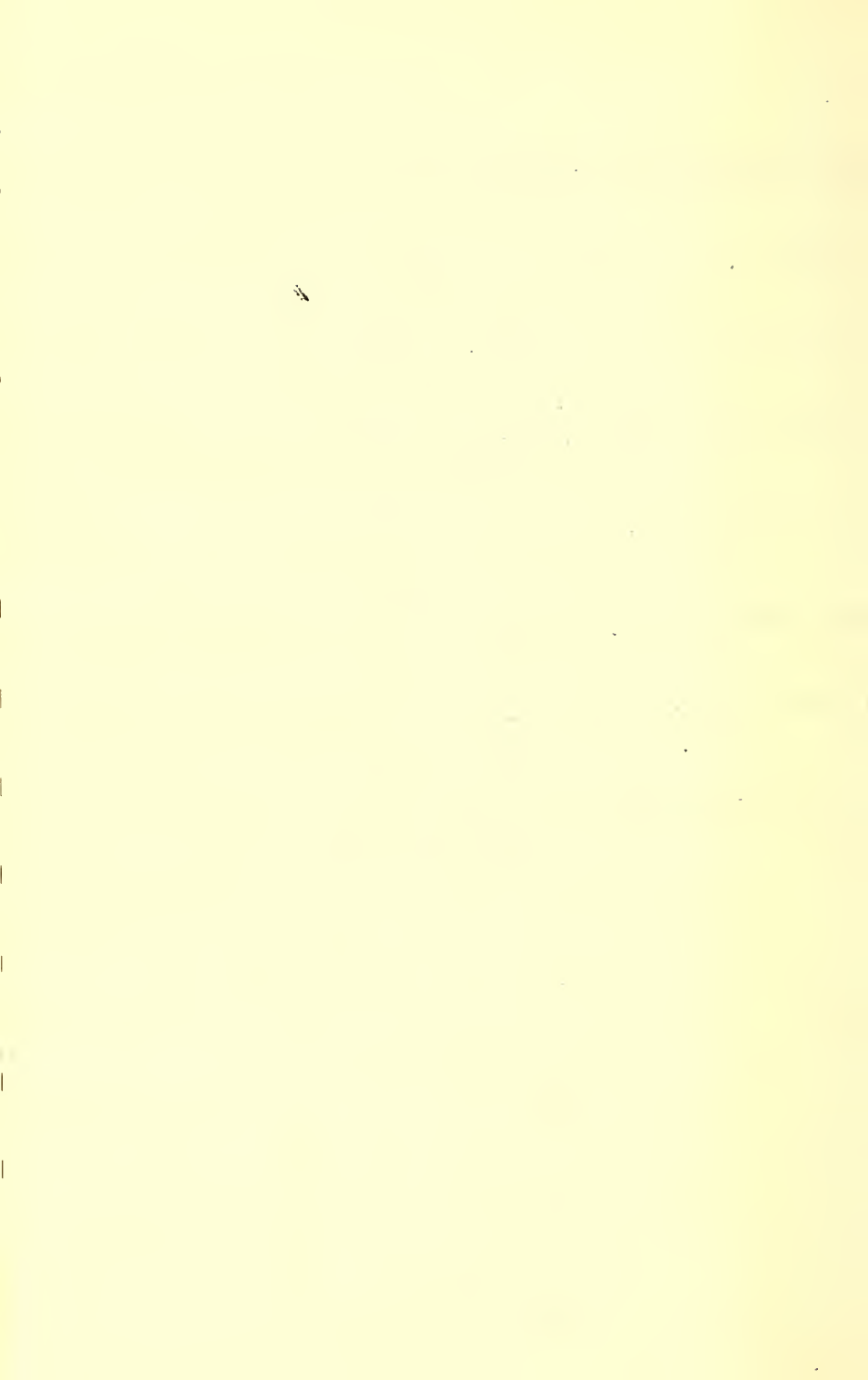
Yellow Hill.....	Mrs. Ella West Cherokee North Carolina
Wrights Creek.....	Mr. Jake Maney Cherokee North Carolina
Zion Hill.....	Mrs. Maggie Wachacha Robbinsville North Carolina

CHURCH TREASURERS & ADDRESSES

Bethabara.....	Mr. Walter E. Lambert Route 1 Whittier, North Carolina
Big Cove.....	Mr. Buck West Box 27 Cherokee, North Carolina
Bigwitch.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Crowe Box 73 Cherokee, North Carolina
Boiling Springs.....	Mrs. Maggie Wahynethah Whittier North Carolina
Cherokee.....	Mr. John R. Dills Cherokee North Carolina
Echota.....	?
Little Snowbird.....	Mrs. Winnie Teesateskie Route 1 Robbinsville, N. C.
Macedonia.....	Mr. Jarrette Blythe Route 1 Cherokee, N. C.

CHURCH TREASURERS & ADDRESSES cont.

Rock Hill.....	Mrs. Lola Queen Route 1 Cherokee, North Carolina
Rock Springs.....	Mrs. Myrtle Youngbird Box 527 Cherokee, North Carolina
Straightfork.....	Mr. Russell Tooni Cherokee North Carolina
Waterfalls.....	Mr. Edward Welch Route 1 Cherokee, North Carolina
Yellow Hill.....	Mrs. Ella West Cherokee North Carolina
Wrights Creek.....	Mr. Gilbert Crowe Cherokee North Carolina
Zion Hill.....	Mrs. Annie C. Brown Robbinsville North Carolina





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